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Annual Report
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Town
of
CARROLL, N.H.



For the Year Ending
December 31, 1996

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For The Town of
CARROLL
NEW HAMPSHIRE

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Town of Carroll

Office Hours and Phone Numbers

Office of Selectmen: 846-5754

Hours: Monday - Thursday 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM

Selectmen's Meetings:

Jan.- April & Nov. - Dec.: Monday night at 7:00 PM

May - October: every other Monday night at 7:00 PM

Town Clerk & Tax Collector: 846-5494

Hours: Monday 9:00 AM - Noon & 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM

Tuesday - Thursday: 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM

Library: 846-5818

Hours: October - April: Monday 6:30 PM - 8:30 PM; Wednesday &
Saturday 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM

April - September: Monday 6:30 PM - 8:30 PM; Wednesday &
Saturday 1:00 PM - 5:00 PM

Landfill:

Hours: Jan. - May: Monday & Thursday: 11:00 AM - 4:00 PM and
Saturday 11:00 AM - 4:00 PM

June - December: Monday & Thursday: Noon - 5:00 PM
Saturday 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM

Special Sunday Hours: Memorial Day - Columbus Day: Noon - 2:00 PM

Planning Board: Meets on the first Thursday of each month at 7:30 PM

Board of Adjustment: Meets on the second Thursday of each month, if they have
a case before them, at 7:30 PM

Highway/Water Department: 846-5735

to reach over the radio call Foster's at 846-2283

Police Department: 846-2200

Fire Department: 846-5545

State of NH Motor Vehicle Substation: 846-2228

Town Offices are closed on legal holidays

*Notices of Special Meetings and other public information
will be posted on the Bulletin Boards at the Fire Station
and at the Town Hall as needed.*

Carroll Town Officers 1995

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

William R. Harris 1997
Chairman

William R. Harris 1998
Michael E. Lavelle 1999

SELECTMEN'S SECRETARY

Kimberly Hallquist
Amy Leonard, resigned replaced by
Marcia Rouillard

TOWN CLERK & TAX COLLECTOR

Louise Staples 1997

DEPUTY TOWN CLERK & TAX COLLECTOR

Leslie Marshall

TREASURER

Diane Harris 1997

LIBRARY TRUSTEES

Patricia Martin 1999
Ann Fabrizio 1997
Eleanor Brauns 1998

SUPERVISORS OF CHECKLIST

Eleanor Brauns 1998
Edwina Berry 2000
Patricia Martin 2002

TRUSTEE OF TRUST FUNDS

Joan Chaput 1997
Michelle Cormier 1998
Irene Thompson 1999

MODERATOR

Raymond Chaput

HEALTH OFFICER

William R. Harris

OVERSEER OF POOR

William J. Wright

LIBRARIAN

Thelma Monahan

JANITOR

Kevin Gault

DEPT. OF PUBLIC WORKS

Gene Cormier, Supervisor
Dean Flumerfelt, Helper,
Resigned
Robert Dupont, Landfill
Attn.

POLICE DEPT.

John Gardiner, Chief
William Smalley, Cpl.
Robert Roesch, Patrolman
Jeff Duncan, Wilford Tompkins
John Wolf, Richard Ball, Specials

FIRE DEPT.

Robert Stalaboin, Chief
Michael Shaheen, Asst. Chief
Fire
William R. Harris, Asst. Chief
E.M.T.

Carroll Town Officers Continued

Emergency Medical Service

Theresa Armstrong
George Brodeur
Marc Brodeur
Jeff Blais
Edward Daniels
Jeff Duncan
John Foster
Geri Garneau
Bob Harris
Ray Horsch

Kevin Holland
Guy Jubinville
Tim McCole
John St. Martin
Roy Ramsdell
Kelly Shaheen
Michael Shaheen
William Smalley
Robert Stalaboin
Toni Wener
Franz Szakmary

RECREATION COMMITTEE

Jackie Garneau
Val Ricardi
Frank Caruso
Pat Martin

PLANNING BOARD

Paul Cormier, Chairman
Charles Ricardi
Herbert McGee
G. Ernest Temple
Bob Harris, Selectman
Marcia Rouillard, Secretary

OFFICE OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

Fred Hollis, Director

BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

Frank Caruso, Chairman
James LeClair
Russell Clough
Daniel Luebke
Diane Harris
Michelle Cormier
Kim Hallquist, Secretary

BUDGET COMMITTEE

Mark Clark, Chairman 1998
Michael Shaheen 1997
Marc Tetreau 1997
Kimberly Cloutier 1997
Martha Woolhouse 1999
Joseph Gritzer 1998
Michael E. Lavelle, Selectman

**WARRANT
TOWN OF CARROLL
MARCH 11, 1997**

To the Inhabitants of the Town of Carroll, in the County of Coos and the State of New Hampshire, qualified to vote in town affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall, Twin Mountain in said Town of Carroll, on Tuesday the 11th day of March next at 7:30 PM to act on the following subjects. The polls will be open for voting for Town Officers and all other matters on the official ballot at 10:00 o'clock in the forenoon and shall not close before 6:00 o'clock in the afternoon.

Article 1. Elect the necessary Town Officers.

Article 2. Shall we adopt the provisions of RSA 40:13 to allow official ballot voting on all issues before the Town of Carroll.

Article 3. To see if the Town will vote in favor of the adoption of the Amendments to the existing Zoning Ordinance as proposed by the Carroll Planning Board.

Article 4. Shall we modify the elderly exemptions from property tax in the Town of Carroll, based on assessed value, for qualified taxpayers, to be as follows: for a person 65 years of age up to 75 years of age: 20,000; for a person 75 years of age up to 80 years: \$30,000; for a person 80 years of age or older: \$40,000. To qualify, the person must have been a New Hampshire resident for at least 5 years, own the real estate individually or jointly, or if the real estate is owned by such person's spouse, they must have been married for at least five years. In addition, the taxpayer may have a net income of not more than \$18,400, or, if married, a combined net income of less than \$26,400; and own net assets not in excess of \$35,000, excluding the value of the person's residence.

Article 5. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Six Hundred Eighty Thousand Six Hundred Six Dollars (680,606.00) as recommended by the Carroll Budget Committee for the support of the Town.

A.	Town Officers Salaries	\$	36.063
B.	Town Officers Expenses		48,063

C.	Election & Registration	2,042
D.	Town Hall & Other Buildings	27,000
E.	Building Inspector	3,750
F.	Payroll Expenses	44,961
G.	Property Assessing	5,000
H.	Police Department	102,093
I.	Fire Department	37,550
J.	Planning Board	6,420
K.	Board of Adjustment	3,260
L.	Street Lighting	16,000
M.	Hydrant Fees	43,500
N.	Legal Expenses	6,000
O.	Dog Costs	300
P.	Memorial Day	200
Q.	Airport	2,000
R.	Contingency	4,000
S.	Insurance	37,607
T.	Office of Emergency Mgt.	850
U.	Library	5,588
V.	Highway Department	63,600
W.	Water Department	50,449
X.	Landfill	75,400
Y.	Cemetery	3,500
Z.	Town Poor	2,500
aa.	Recreation Department	7,100
bb.	Interest	32,479
cc.	Principal Long Term Notes	13,331

Article 6. To see if the Town will vote to exempt from taxation for the year 1997, the air navigational facility known as the Twin Mountain Airport, providing such facility is available for public use without charge and the owner holds a certificate from the NH Aeronautics Commission that the facility is necessary for the maintenance of an effective airway system. The property to be exempt from taxation shall include the surfaces, maintained and available for take off, landing, open air parking of any aircraft and any navigation or communication facility and any passenger terminal building available for public use without charge pursuant to RSA 72:38 as inserted by 1963 79:2.

Article 7. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Hundred and Forty Thousand Dollars (\$140,000) to purchase a new Fire Truck and to authorize the withdrawal of

\$93,000 from the Fire/Emergency Equipment Capital Reserve Fund and to authorize the issuance of \$47,000 of bonds or notes in accordance with the provisions of the Municipal Finance Act (RSA Chapter 33) and to authorize the municipal officials to issue and negotiate such bonds or notes and to determine the rate of interest thereon. The Budget Committee and the Selectmen recommend this appropriation.

(2/3 ballot vote required)

Article 8. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty-eight Thousand Dollars (\$28,000) to purchase a new police cruiser and to authorize the withdrawal of \$10,000 from the Police Cruiser Capital Reserve Fund. The balance of \$18,000 is to come from general taxation. The Budget Committee and the Selectmen recommend this appropriation.

Article 9. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty-five Thousand Dollars (\$25,000) to purchase a new pickup truck for the Highway Department and to authorize the withdrawal of \$23,000 from the Pickup Capital Reserve Fund. The balance of \$2,000 to come from the sale of the current pickup truck. The Budget Committee and Selectmen recommend this appropriation.

Article 10. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the following sums to be placed in the Capital Reserve Funds (CRF) as listed:

Police Cruiser CRF: \$10,000;
Fire Truck & Equipment CRF: \$10,000;
Pickup Truck CRF: \$5,000;
Emergency Van CRF: \$5,000;
Land & Buildings CRF: \$10,000;
Landfill Closure CRF: \$25,000.

The Budget Committee recommends all amounts with the exception of the Landfill Closure CRF which it does not recommend. The Selectmen recommend the appropriations as listed.

Article 11. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000) to be paid to the Twin Mountain Chamber of Commerce. These funds to be used for the operation of the Information Booth and promoting the Town of Carroll. The Budget Committee and Selectmen recommend this appropriation.

- Article 12.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Four Thousand Three Hundred Fourteen Dollars (\$4,314) for the purchase of computers for the Selectmen's and Town Clerks Offices. The Budget Committee and Selectmen recommend this appropriation.
- Article 13.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Four Thousand Nine Hundred Forty-five Dollars (\$4,945) for the purchase of a copy machine for the Selectmen's Office. The Budget Committee and Selectmen recommend this appropriation.
- Article 14.** To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to negotiate for the purchase of land surrounding the Town Hall. The Selectmen will buy the amount of land they feel best suits the needs of the Town. The money to purchase the land will come from the funds approved by the voters at the March 14, 1995 Town Meeting. The Budget Committee does not recommend this article, the Selectmen do recommend it.
- Article 15.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Six Hundred and Fifty Dollars (\$650) and to turn over such monies to the Tri-County Community Action Program. The Budget Committee and Selectmen recommend this appropriation.
- Article 16.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Two Hundred Twelve Dollars (\$212) and to turn over such monies to the Greater White Mountain Chapter of the American Red Cross for support of local American Red Cross services. The Budget Committee and Selectmen recommend this appropriation.
- Article 17.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Thousand Three Hundred Fifteen Dollars (\$1,315) and to turn over such monies to the North Country Home Health Agency , Inc. for the support of their services. The Budget Committee and Selectmen recommend this appropriation.
- Article 18.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000) and to turn over such monies to the Littleton Hospital in recognition of the assistance provided by the Hospital to the Town's E.M.T.'s and also for the uncompensated services provided to residents who are unable to pay. The Budget Committee and Selectmen

recommend this appropriation.

Article 19. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Three Hundred Sixteen Dollars (\$316) and to turn over such monies to the Hospice of Littleton for support of their services to the community. The Budget Committee and Selectmen recommend this appropriation.

Article 20. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Nine Hundred Four Dollars (\$904) and to turn over such monies to the White Mountain Mental Health & Developmental Services. The Budget Committee and Selectmen recommend this appropriation.

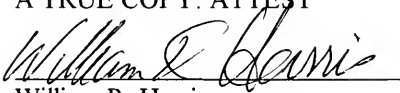
Article 21. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Three Hundred Thirty-five Dollars (\$335) and to turn over such monies to the Lancaster District Court Juvenile Court Diversion Program. The Budget Committee and Selectmen recommend this appropriation.

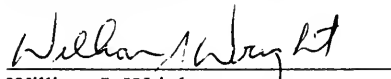
Article 22. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Two Hundred Twelve Dollars (\$212) and to turn over such monies to the Caleb Group for support of their services to the Community. The Budget Committee and Selectmen recommend this appropriation.

Article 23. To transact any other business that may legally come before this meeting.

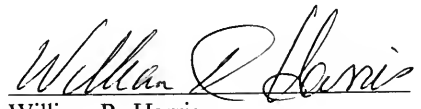
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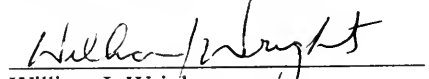
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William R. Harris


William J. Wright


Michael E. Lavelle


William R. Harris


William J. Wright


Michael E. Lavelle

CARROLL ZONING ORDINANCE CHANGES
To Be Considered at
TOWN MEETING, MARCH 11, 1997

1. Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment Number 1 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows:

Add to Section 202 definitions: Kennels- Any location where breeding, raising, boarding, caring for, and/or keeping more than three dogs or cats or other small animals or a combination thereof (except litters of animals not more than 6 months of age) is carried on for commercial purposes.

YES

☐

NO

☐

Proposed by the Carroll Planning Board

2. Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment Number 2 as proposed by the Planning Board for Town Zoning Ordinance as follows:

Add to Section 303.1 Residential:

Special Exception:

j. Kennels

YES

☐

NO

☐

Proposed by the Carroll Planning Board

3. Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment Number 3 as proposed by the Planning Board for Town Zoning Ordinance as follows:

Add to Section 303.3 Residential-Business:

Special Exception:

n. Kennels

YES

☐

NO

☐

Proposed by the Carroll Planning Board

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4. Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment Number 4 as proposed by the Planning Board for Town Zoning Ordinance as follows:

Add to 303.5 Rural:

Special Exceptions:

- l. Kennels

YES ☐

NO ☐

Proposed by the Carroll Planning Board

5. Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment Number 5 as proposed by the Planning Board for Town Zoning Ordinance as follows:

Change 303.3 R-B (M) Residential-Business to:

Special Exceptions:

- p. Research Laboratories

YES ☐

NO ☐

Proposed by the Carroll Planning Board

6. Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment Number 6 as proposed by the Planning Board for Town Zoning Ordinance as follows:

Add to 303.5 Rural Permitted Use:

- q. Riding Stables with minimum of 5 acres:

YES ☐

NO ☐

Proposed by the Carroll Planning Board

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7. Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment Number 7 as proposed by the Planning Board for Town Zoning Ordinance as follows:

Add to 303.5 Special Exception:

1. 'Riding Stables under 5 acres:

YES ☐

NO ☐

Proposed by the Carroll Planning Board

8. Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment Number 8 as proposed by the Planning Board for Town Zoning Ordinance as follows:

Change 702.1 (B):

Add the word residential so that the zoning regulations reads:

Any alteration or restoration that amounts to more than 25% of the tax valuation of present effected residential structures shall also require a building permit.

YES ☐

NO ☐

Proposed by the Carroll Planning Board

9. Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment Number 9 as proposed by the Planning Board for Town Zoning Ordinance as follows:

Add 702.1 B-2:

Any alteration or restoration that effects a Commercial building compliance with fire and/or public safety codes, or alters the structure of footprint of the building shall require a building permit.

YES ☐

NO ☐

Proposed by the Carroll Planning Board

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10. Are you in favor of the adoption of the Amendment Number 10 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance:

BY PETITION: Amend Article 303.3 of the ordinance to add the following to the list of uses permitted in the Residential-Business Zone:

Stables operated in conjunction with Public Living Accommodations, provided that the following conditions shall apply to the operation:

1. There shall be no more than 10 horses allowed on the property at any one time.
2. All manure and bedding materials shall be removed from the premises daily.
3. Manure shall be picked up daily from the roadside and/or trailside.

And also amend Section 202, by adding the following definition:

Stables - A facility open to the public, for the quartering of horses and the offering of trail rides.

YES ☐

NO ☐

ARTICLE BY PETITION
NOT RECOMMENDED BY THE PLANNING BOARD

BUDGET OF THE TOWN OF CARROLL
January 1, 1997 to December 31, 1997

Purposes of Appropriation (RSA 31:4)	Actual Approp. 1996	Actual Expend 1996	Select. Budget 1997	Budget Committee Recom. 1997	Not Recom.
General Gov.					
Executive	31,994	37,528	36,063	36,063	
Elect. & Registrat.	4,347	3,995	2,042	2,042	
Finacial Admin.	47,547	45,652	48,063	48,063	
Revaluation of Prop.	7,000	4,386	5,000	5,000	
Legal Expense	10,000	6,581	6,000	6,000	
Personnel Admin.	51,466	48,818	44,961	44,961	
Plan. & Zoning	9,980	5,418	9,680	9,680	
General Gov. Bldg.	22,600	23,240	24,400	27,000	
Cemeteries	2,421	2,307	3,500	3,500	
Insurance	37,591	35,525	37,607	37,607	
Contingency Fund	4,000	1,294	4,000	4,000	
Public Safety					
Police Department	99,136	99,707	100,843	102,093	
Fire Department	29,540	32,898	37,550	37,550	
Office of Emer. Mgt.	500	100	100	850	
Building Inspection	3,500	3,739	3,750	3,750	
Highways, Streets & Bridges					
Highway Department	60,397	64,730	63,600	63,600	
Street Lighting	16,000	15,905	16,000	16,000	
Airport	2,000	2,655	2,000	2,000	
Sanitation					
Solid Waste Disposal	65,750	71,784	73,900	73,900	
Sewage Disposal	1,500	-0-	1,500	1,500	
Water Distribution & Treatment					
Water Services	42,761	49,077	50,449	50,449	
Hydrant Fees	43,500	43,500	43,500	43,500	
Health					
Animal Control	500	39	300	300	
Welfare					
Direct Assistance	2,500	1,066	2,500	2,500	

Budget Continued

Purpose of Appropriation (RSA 31:4)	Actual Approp. 1996	Actual Expend. 1996	Select. Budget 1997	Budget Committee Recom. 1997	Not Recom.
Culture & Recreation					
Library	5,464	5,532	5,588	5,588	
Parks & Recreation	7,950	10,281	7,100	7,100	
Patriotic Purposes	400	204	200	200	
Debt Service					
Prin. & Long Term Notes	12,751	12,751	13,331	13,331	
Interest Exp. - L.T.N.	33,059	33,059	32,479	32,479	
Int.-Tax Antic. Notes	5,000	-0-	-0-	-0-	
Operating Trans. Out					
Pay. to Capital Reser.	57,000	57,000	65,000	50,000	15,000
Special Articles					
Total Spec. Art.	10,235	10,235	212,203	212,203	
TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS \$	727,389	\$729,006	\$953,209	\$942,809	15,000

Special Warrant Articles 1997

Fire Truck	\$140,000
Highway Pickup Truck	25,000
Police Crusier	28,000
Payments to Capital Reserve Accounts	65,000
Chamber of Commerce	5,000
Tri-County Com. Action	650
American Red Cross	212
North Country Home Health	1,315
Littleton Hospital	1,000
Hospice of Littleton	316
White Mt. Mental Health	904
Juvenile Court Diversion Prog.	335
Caleb Group	212
Computers - Town Offices	4,314
Copy Machine - Town Offices	4,945

Sources Of Revenue

	<u>1996</u> <u>Revenues</u>	<u>Est. 1997</u> <u>Revenues</u>
<u>Taxes</u>		
Land Use Change Tax	-0-	-0-
Yield Taxes	16,566	20,000
Payment in Lieu of Taxes	3,031	3,000
Interest & Penalties	56,643	55,000
Other	-0-	-0-
<u>Licenses & Permits</u>		
Motor Vehicle Permits	74,092	72,000
Building Permits	2,906	2,500
Other Licenses, Fees	1,336	1,300
<u>From Federal Government</u>		
Federal Forest Land	12,151	10,000
<u>From State</u>		
Shared Rev Block Grant	16,595	14,000
Highway Block Grant	12,543	13,983
State/Fed. Forest	-0-	2,000
Other (incl. Railroad Tax)	1,732	1,700
<u>Charges for Services</u>		
Income for Dept.	8,919	9,000
Cable Co. Fees	3,320	3,000
<u>Miscellaneous Revenues</u>		
Sale of Town Property	1,337	3,000
Int. on Deposits	5,486	2,500
Other (Misc. & Refunds)	22,843	20,000
<u>Interfund Oper. Transfers In</u>		
Income from Water Dept.	87,571	96,259
Income-Trust Funds	-0-	35
Capital Reserve Fund	-0-	128,000
<u>Other Financing Sources</u>		
Proc. from Long Term Notes	-0-	47,000
TOTAL REVENUES & CREDITS	\$ 328,071	\$ 504,277
Total Appropriations		\$942,809
Less: Amount of Estimated Revenues,		
Exclusive of Property Taxes		504,277
Amount of Taxes to be raised		
(exclusive of School & County)		\$438,532

Summary of Inventory Valuation

ITEM	ACRES	1996 ASSESSED
Value of Land Only		
A. Current Use	9522.97	676,087
B. Conservation Restriction	66.02	53,751
C. Residential	12186.61	19,623,549
D. Commercial	1939.09	9,028,600
E. Total Taxable Land		29,381,987
F. Tax Exempt	\$17,043,000	
Value of Buildings Only		
A. Residential		49,011,500
B. Manufactured Housing		479,000
C. Commercial		14,308,200
D. Total of Taxable Buildings		63,798,700
Public Water Utility - privately owned		127,200
Public Utility - electric		821,200
VALUATIONS BEFORE EXEMPTIONS		\$94,129,087
Blind Exemption	(1) 15,000	
Elderly Exemption	(20) 570,000	
Solar	(2) 2,600	
Total Dollar Amount of Exemptions		\$ 587,600
Net Valuation on which the Tax Rate is Computed		\$93,541,487

1996 TAX RATE CALCULATION

Department of Revenue Administration
Municipal Services Division
Concord, NH 03302-1122

Town of Carroll

Appropriations	727,389
Less: Revenues	417,509
Less: Shared Revenues	2,612
Add: Overlay	70,519
War Service Credits	<u>8,900</u>

Net Town Appropriation	386,687
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Approved Town/City Tax Effort	386,687	
Municipal Tax Rate		4.13

---- SCHOOL PORTION ----

Due to Regional School	1,007,375
Less: Shared Revenues	<u>5,861</u>

Net School Appropriation	1,001,514
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Approved School Effort	1,001,514	
School Tax Rate		10.71

---- COUNTY PORTION ----

Due County	279,336
Less Shared Revenues	<u>628</u>

Net County Appropriation	278,708
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Approved County Tax Effort	278,708	
County Tax Rate		2.98

Combined Tax Rate		17.82
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1996 Tax Rate Continued

---- Commitment Analysis ----

Total Property Taxes Assessed	1,666,909
Less: War Service Credits	<8,900>
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Total Property Tax Commitment	1,658,009
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---- Proof of Rate ----

Net Assessed Valuation	Tax Rate	Assessment
93,541,487	17.82	1,658,009

1996 Bond Requirement

Treasurer: 62,000	Tax Collector: 59,000
Town Clerk: 10,000	Trustee of Trust Funds: 56,000

TOWN MEETING MINUTES

MARCH 12, 1996

The Moderator, Raymond Chaput inspected the ballot box and Eleanor Brauns verified it to be empty. The meeting was opened at 10:00 AM with a motion from Doris Luebke to dispense reading the warrant in its entirety, seconded by Kathy Saffian. A motion to vote on Article 1 by secret ballot was made by Kathy Saffian, seconded by Doris Luebke. Moderator Chaput declared the polls open for voting.

Ballot Clerks: Doris Luebke, Kathy Saffian, Phyllis Ricardi and Fran Seale.

Supervisors of the Checklist: Eleanor Brauns, Edwina Berry, and Pat Martin.

Absentee Ballots were processed at 2:00 PM

Names on Checklist: 428 Official Ballots Cast: 181

The polls were closed at 6:00 PM and the ballots were counted. The meeting was reconvened at 7:30 PM and Josephine Chaput lead the public with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag. The Moderator announced the many deceased members from the community within the past year.

Eleanor Brauns made a dedication to the Library with a plaque in memory of Librarian Anna (Connie) Evans who passed away on October 19, 1995. Connie served as Librarian from 1974-1995.

Board members introduced themselves as follows: Budget Committee:-- Fred Nemeth, Mary Lew DeGroff, Mark Clark, Michele Cormier, Michael Shaheen and Chairperson, Martha Woolhouse. Town Clerk: Louise Staples. Moderator: Raymond Chaput. Selectmen: Mike Lavelle, Bob Harris, and William Wright.

A motion to dispense reading the meeting minutes of 1995 town meeting was made by Fred Hollis, seconded by Diane Caruso.

Following are the rules of the meeting as presented by Moderator Chaput.

1. Because of complications caused by amendments to amendments such motions will not be entertained except under some very special circumstances.

2. The motion to table is not debatable, however, any motion that has been tabled may at any time, before the end of the meeting, be removed from the table for further consideration.

3. The motion to postpone indefinitely is debatable and can be reconsidered before the end of the meeting.

4. Under a new state law, any time after a vote is completed on an article, the town may vote on the motion to restrict reconsideration. If this passes, and later a vote to reconsider is made and passes, actual reconsideration can't take place until an adjourned session is held at least seven days later. The time, date and place at which the reconsideration will occur must be announced before the closure of this session and also must be published in a newspaper at least two days prior to the reconsideration.

5. No comments on personalities. All questions must be addressed to the moderator who will recognize the proper person to answer the questions.

6. To move the question: Generally this motion will not be recognized until every one has had a chance to speak at least once.

7. Non registered voters cannot take part in voice votes and will be asked to leave if caught doing so. The cards received upon entering the meeting are voting cards and if a division of the vote is called for, the cards are to be held up so votes may be counted. If a secret ballot is taken, the cards will be presented to the ballot clerks to be marked to receive a ballot.

8. When a person is recognized to speak, state your name for the clerk for the minutes.

9. Any amendments to any article must be presented in writing exactly the way it is to be read.

10. A secret ballot requires five registered voters' signatures: Any request should be in before the article is brought to the floor.

Article 1. Elect the necessary Town Officers.

Results:

Selectman: Three Year Term

Richard Adams	84	Votes
Michael E. Lavelle	96	"

Michael Lavelle was declared the winner.

Treasurer: One Year Term

Diane B. Harris	158	"
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Library Trustee: Three Year Term

Patricia Martin	160	"
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Trustee/Trust Funds: Three Year Term

Irene Thompson	171	"
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Supervisor/Checklist Two Year Term

Patricia Martin	157	"
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Moderator: Two Year Term

Raymond Chaput	164	"
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Article 2. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Seven Hundred Seventeen Thousand One Hundred Fifty-four Dollars (717,154.00) as recommended by the Carroll Budget Committee for the support of the Town.

a.	Town Officers Salaries	\$ 31,994
b.	Town Officers Expenses	47,547
c.	Election & Registration	4,347
d.	Town Hall & Other Bldgs.	22,600
e.	Building Inspector	3,500
f.	Payroll Expenses	51,466
g.	Property Assessing	7,000
h.	Police Department	98,136
i.	Fire Department	29,540
j.	Planning Board	6,220
k.	Board of Adjustment	3,760
l.	Street Lighting	16,000
m.	Hydrant Fees	43,500
n.	Legal Expenses	10,000
o.	Dog Costs	500
p.	Memorial Day	400

q.	Airport	2,000
r.	Contingency	4,000
s.	Insurance	37,591
t.	Office of Emergency Mgt.	500
u.	Library	5,464
v.	Highway Department	60,397
w.	Water Department	42,761
x.	Landfill	67,250
y.	Cemetery	2,421
z.	Town Poor	2,500
aa.	Recreation Department	7,950
bb.	Interest	38,059
cc.	Principal Long Term Notes	12,751
dd.	Capital Reserve Funds:	
	Police Cruiser	10,000
	Fire Truck & Equipment	10,000
	Highway Equipment	10,000
	Pickup Truck	2,000
	Emergency Van	5,000
	Land & Buildings	10,000
	Landfill Closure	10,000

Michael Lavelle made a motion to accept Article 2, seconded by Bob Harris.

Article 2 passed by voice vote of the town with no discussion.

Article 3. To see if the Town will vote to have the records of the Town audited by the Municipal Accounting Division of the Department of Revenue Administration or by a private auditing firm as the Selectmen may deem appropriate.

Motion to accept Article 3 was made by Michael Lavelle, seconded by William Wright.

Article 3 passed with no discussion by voice vote.

Article 4: To see if the Town will vote to exempt from taxation for the year 1996, the air navigational facility known as the Twin Mountain Airport, providing such facility is available for public use without charge and the owner holds a certificate from the New Hampshire Aeronautics Commission that the facility is necessary for the maintenance of an effective airway system. The property to be exempt from taxation shall include the surfaces maintained and available for take off, landing, open air parking of any aircraft and any navigation or communication facility and any passenger

terminal building available for public use without charge pursuant to RSA 72:38 as inserted by 1963 79:2.

Dorothy O'Brien made a motion to accept Article 4, seconded by Charles Ricardi.

In response to the question asked by Carl Stoneham regarding the number of planes that had used the airport during the past year, Dorothy O'Brien replied that there were 2,018 landings and takeoffs.

Diane Harris asked if the owner held a certificate from the NH Aeronautics and Mrs. O'Brien stated that there was a certificate as of April 1 of last year and there will be another for April 1 of this year.

Article 4 passed by voice vote.

Article 5. To see if the Town will vote to establish from this point forward, that the compensation for the position of Town Clerk and Tax Collector shall be in the form of salary only. Presently the compensation is a combination of salary and fees. The amount of the salary will be determined in the same manner as all other town employees. The Budget Committee and the Selectmen recommend adoption of this Article.

A motion to accept Article 5 was made by Michael Lavelle, seconded by Bob Harris.

Irvan Johnson spoke on behalf of the position of Town Clerk, stating that he had held this position for five years and stressed the importance of the job and the responsibilities. Mr. Johnson felt that by cutting out the fees was decreasing the income for a position that is in fact two jobs.

Martha Woolhouse, Chairperson of the Budget Committee stated that this article was not meant to cut anyone's salary but that the fees for the police department and the fire department were turned back to the town and felt that the fees from the Town Clerk/Tax Collector's office should also be turned back to the town. Mrs. Woolhouse also explained that the passage of this article would not affect this year's salary, but would be discussed for the budget for 1997. Mrs. Woolhouse stated that the Selectmen would determine the salary.

Doris Luebke compared the increase of work and explained the increase of fees caused from the extra work involved. After much discussion from the voters, the question was asked by Nancy Mitiguy if a salary had been determined and Mrs. Woolhouse stated that although it was not final, a figure of \$17,500. had been discussed. Ms. Mitiguy urged a no vote taken into consideration the much lower salary than the position is paid now.

Sharon Savoy stated that the voters were here to vote on the salary for this position now and did not agree that this should be left up to the Selectmen to determine next year. After discussion regarding the wording of the article and its intent, Carl Stoneham made a motion to table Article 5, seconded by Gary Whitcomb. Motion to table failed by voice vote. The Moderator announced that he had a petition to vote on this article by secret ballot.

Article 5 failed by secret ballot.

31	YES	95	NO
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Article 6. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Sixty Thousand Dollars (\$30,000) for the purpose of repairs and renovations to the Town Hall that will make the town offices handicapped accessible and to authorize the issuance of \$30,000 bonds or notes in accordance with the provisions of the Municipal Finance Act (RSA Chapter 33) and to authorize the municipal officials to issue and negotiate such bonds or notes and to determine that rate of interest thereon. The Budget Committee and the Selectmen recommend this appropriation.
(2/3 ballot vote required)

Michael Lavelle made a motion to accept Article 6, William Wright seconded the motion.

Selectman Harris explained the plans for an addition to the front of the Town Hall to house the office of the Town Clerk/Tax Collector and Selectmen's office and meeting room. Michael Lavelle stated that the heating system in the existing Town Hall would be renovated. Selectman Harris stated that because of under estimating, this money will be used with the \$60,000. appropriated last year.

Dannie Cloutier stated that he understood that the

School Board had a mobile classroom in Jefferson that they were trying to dispose of and wondered if this unit could be utilized for office space here. Charles Ricardi commented on the fact that Littleton had acquired similar units for temporary use and they had stayed there for approximately 25 years.

Paul Cormier stated that he would like to see a solid plan in place before the town votes on anything.

Carl Stoneham asked how the current space would be used. Selectmen Wright stated the space would be used for storage and possibly for the historical society. Mr. Wright also stated that he would like to settle the land issue first. Edward Bousquin asked about the possibility of putting an elevator in so that the whole building could be utilized.

The Moderator stated that a 2/3 vote is required and needs to be a secret ballot.

Article 6 failed by secret ballot.

56	YES	67	NO
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Article 7. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Hundred and Forty Thousand Dollars (\$140,000.) to purchase a new Fire Truck and to authorize the withdrawal of \$75,000. from the Fire/Emergency Equipment Capital Reserve Fund and to authorize the issuance of \$65,000. bonds or notes in accordance with the provisions of the Municipal Finance Act (RSA Chapter 33) and to authorize the municipal officials to issue and negotiate such bonds or notes and to determine the rate of interest thereon. The Budget Committee and the Selectmen recommend this appropriation.

(2/3 ballot vote required)

A motion to accept Article 7 was made by Robert Stalaboin and seconded by Michael Shaheen.

Vincent Kane asked how sophisticated the new equipment would be and how much it was going to cost the town to train people to operate the new equipment. Fire Chief Stalaboin explained that the department has personnel trained already and are capable of operating the new equipment.

The Moderator announced that a 2/3 ballot vote was required.

Article 7 was defeated by secret ballot
(81 votes needed to pass)

YES 71 NO 51

*** Article 7 was reconsiderated later in the meeting.**

Article 8. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Eleven Thousand Dollars (\$11,000) to purchase radios for the Fire Department and to authorize the issuance of \$11,000 bonds or notes in accordance with the provisions of the Municipal Finance Act (RSA Chapter 33) and to authorize the municipal officials to issue and negotiate such bonds or notes and to determine the rate of interest thereon. The Budget Committee recommends this appropriation, the Selectmen do not recommend it. (2/3 ballot vote required)

A motion to accept **Article 8** was made by Robert Stalaboin and seconded by Roy Ramsdell.

Ed Bousquin asked how many radios were being purchased. William Smalley explained that there would be 3 mobile and 4 portables purchased.

A 2/3 ballot vote required.

Article 8 failed by ballot vote.
(75 votes needed to pass)

64 YES 54 NO

Article 9. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000) to be paid to the Twin Mountain Chamber of Commerce. These funds to be used for the operation of the Information Booth and promoting the Town of Carroll.

Lee Hallquist made a motion to accept **Article 9**, seconded by Frank Caruso.

Article 9 passed by voice vote with no discussion.

Article 10. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Fourteen

Thousand Dollars (\$14,000) for the repaving of Little River Road and to authorize the withdrawal of \$14,000 from the Road Improvements Capital Reserve Fund to apply against this appropriation. The Budget Committee and Selectmen recommend this appropriation.

A motion to accept Article 10 was made by Michael Lavelle and seconded by Bob Harris.

Richard Adams asked if this wouldn't have been covered from the water project money. Bob Harris stated that any damage done to the road during the water project was repaired at that time.

Bob Harris explained that this project would be done in conjunction with Bethlehem. Edward Martin questioned if this was going to be an asphalt coating or an oil sealant. Gene Cormier, Road Agent, stated that the road would be asphalt.

Article 10 was defeated by voice vote of the town.

Article 11. To see if the Town will vote to oppose the dumping and/or spreading of any waste materials including, but not limited to sludge, on any property within the Town of Carroll by either individuals or by commercial ventures. The purpose of this Article is to protect the tourist based economy and reputation of the Town which would be adversely affected by the dumping or spreading of waste materials. Article by Petition.

Motion to accept Article 11 was made by Charles Ricardi, seconded by Dannie Cloutier.

Leo Lavalley explained that he had done a lot of research on this issue and found that in sludge there are cancer causing agents and excess nitrogen which contaminates the water table. There are also bad odors from sludge. Mr. Lavalley felt that the reason New Hampshire is looked upon for dumping sludge was because the state has no laws prohibiting the dumping and other states do have laws against it.

Article 11 passed by voice vote.

* At this point in the meeting Kathy Saffian made a motion to reconsider Article 7. Doris Luebke second-

ed the motion. Moderator Chaput ruled that he would not reconsider an article. Doris Luebke made a motion to override the Moderator and Kathy Saffian seconded the motion. A vote to override the Moderator won by voice vote.

Kathy Saffian spoke on behalf of the Fire Department and how they had to call upon the department for a chimney fire at their home. Mrs. Saffian noted that one of the trucks was leaking water and she was told that the truck was approximately 35 to 37 years old and in addition to the truck leaking it also smoked. Mrs. Saffian stated that she was sorry that no one had spoken on this issue when it was first brought up.

A call for a vote to reconsider Article 7 passed by voice vote.

Sharon Savoy asked if it were possible that the truck could explode. Bob Stalaboin stated that he was doubtful that would happen. Mr. Stalaboin explained that the department has three pieces of equipment and one piece had a very limited function. The Fire Chief also stated that he was working with the Selectmen to get on a rotation with capital reserve funds for the replacement of equipment.

Mary Lavelle questioned if the truck to be replaced, besides leaking, has a problem with brakes and if the shift came off in someone's hand and the Fire Chief stated this was true. Mrs. Lavelle stated that she would not like the idea of knowing that before the fire truck could get to her house for a fire that it were possible that all the water could have leaked out.

Edward Martin asked if the possibility of obtaining a used truck had been considered. Chief Stalaboin replied that they had researched this option and had also discussed with trying to refurbish this truck, but the department did not feel this was feasible. The Chief also stated that the department would like to get something that would last.

Kelly Shaheen spoke in reference to the extensive training the members of the Fire Department have gone through and stated that they need good equipment to operate.

Patricia Martin stated that no one was against the Fire Department or against having good equipment, and stated an appreciation to the guys taking training but stated that she would like to see the

\$75,000. that was already in a Reserve Fund utilized in order to try to keep the budget down.

After further discussion, the Moderator called for a secret ballot vote.

Reconsideration of Article 7 was defeated by secret ballot.

(74 votes needed to pass)

65	YES	47	NO
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Article 12. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Six Hundred and Fifty Dollars (\$650) and to turn over such monies to the Tri-County Community Action Program. The Budget Committee and Selectmen recommend this appropriation.

A motion to accept Article 12 was made by Michael Lavelle, seconded by Bob Harris.

With no discussion, Article 12 passed by voice vote.

Article 13. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Two Hundred Twelve Dollars (\$212) and turn over such monies to the Greater White Mountain Chapter of the American Red Cross for support of local American Red Cross Services. The Budget Committee and Selectmen recommend this appropriation.

A motion to accept Article 13 was made by Michael Lavelle and William Wright seconded the motion.

Article 13 passed by voice vote with no discussion.

Article 14. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Thousand Two Hundred Ninety Dollars (\$1,290) and to turn over such monies to the North Country Home Health Agency, Inc. for the support of their services. The Budget Committee and Selectmen recommend this appropriation.

A motion to accept Article 14 was made by Michael Lavelle and seconded by Bob Harris.

Article 14 passed with no discussion by voice vote.

Article 15. To see if the Town will vote to raise

and appropriate the sum of One thousand Dollars (\$1,000) and to turn over such monies to the Littleton Hospital in recognition of the assistance provided by the Hospital to the Town's E.M.T.'s and also for the uncompensated services provided to residents who are unable to pay. The Budget Committee and Selectmen recommend this appropriation.

Motion to accept **Article 15** made by Michael Lavelle and seconded by William Wright.

Article 15 passed with no discussion by voice vote.

Article 16. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Five Hundred Twenty-eight dollars (\$528) and to turn over such monies to the North Country Council as the Town's share of the cost of a Hazardous Waste Collection Program. This program will enhance disposal of hazardous household products such as paint thinners, solvents, pesticides and the like. The Budget Committee and Selectmen recommend this appropriation.

A motion to accept **Article 16** was made by Michael Lavelle and seconded by Bob Harris.

Gary Whitcomb questioned if the program would be taking place in our town and Bob Harris stated that he believed it would be in Bethlehem.

Article 16 passed by voice vote.

Article 17. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Three Hundred Sixteen Dollars (\$316) and to turn over such monies to the Hospice of Littleton for support of their services to the community. The Budget Committee and Selectmen recommend this appropriation.

Motion to accept **Article 17** was made by Michael Lavelle and seconded by William Wright.

After discussion regarding what this program was for, **Article 17** passed by voice vote.

Article 18. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Nine Hundred

Four Dollars (\$904) and to turn over such monies to the White Mountain Mental Health & Developmental Services. The Budget Committee and Selectmen recommend this appropriation.

Michael Lavelle made a motion to accept Article 18, seconded by Bob Harris.

Article 18 passed with no discussion by voice vote.

At this time, Moderator Chaput asked the Assistant Moderator, George Brodeur to take over the meeting.

Article 19. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Two Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$250) and to turn over such monies to the Mt. Washington Regional Airport for the towns contribution to capital improvements to the Airport. The Budget Committee and Selectmen recommend this appropriation.

Motion to accept Article 19 was made by Michael Lavelle, seconded by William Wright.

Raymond Chaput asked the voters to defeat this article due to the utter confusion and mismanagement of the Whitefield Airport.

Article 19 was defeated by voice vote.

Article 20. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Three Hundred Thirty-Five Dollars (\$335) and to turn over such monies to the Lancaster District Court Juvenile Court Diversion Program. The Budget Committee and Selectmen recommend this appropriation.

A motion to accept Article 20 was made by Michael Lavelle, seconded by Bob Harris.

George Brodeur spoke in his capacity as Assistant Principal at the Regional High School and stated this was a very valuable program.

Article 20 passed by voice vote of the town.

Article 21. To transact any other business that may legally come before this meeting.

Lee Hallquist stated that it was very nice to see Tom Gage present at the meeting. (Mr. Gage was severely injured last year and was unable to attend the 1995 Town Meeting.) All those present enthusiastically welcomed Tom back. Lee also spoke about the cable t.v. and lack of baseball games being televised and asked the Selectmen to send a letter of concern to the Cable company.

Mac MacKinnon suggested that the town should look into a better sound system. The Moderator stated he planned on looking into this himself prior to next year's meeting.

Moderator Chaput thanked everyone who was involved with Town Meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Louise M. Staples
Town Clerk

Schedule of Town Property

Description	Location	Map/Lot	Assessed Value
1. Town Transfer Station 82 acres - land only	New Straw Rd	203/19	\$ 73,200
2. Highway Garage 4.6 acres - land & building	305 Parker Road	204/21	57,600
3. Police/Fire Station .52 acre - land & building	104 Route 3 North	206/23	130,000
4. Recreation Area & Water Pump House & Wells 118.90 acres - land & buildings	Lake Road	206/28	144,800
5. Recreation Area 8.60 acres - land only	Lake Road	418/24	9,300
6. Straw Cemetery 3.10 acres - land & building	Route 3 North	410/10	47,900
7. Town Hall .88 acre - land & building	92 School Street	206/17	218,400
Tax deeded property:			
8. Rosebrook Cemetery	Route 302 West	207/6	39,100
9. Land & Building	47 Base Station Rd.	211/23	55,800
10. Land only	Maple Drive	417/14	22,300

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON FINANCIAL PRESENTATION

To the Members of the
Board of Selectmen
Town of Carroll
Carroll, New Hampshire

We have audited the accompanying general-purpose financial statements of the Town of Carroll as of and for the year ended December 31, 1996. These general-purpose financial statements are the responsibility of the Town's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these general-purpose financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the general-purpose financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the general-purpose financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall general-purpose financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

The general-purpose financial statements referred to above do not include the general fixed assets account group which should be included in order to conform with generally accepted accounting principles. As is the case with most municipal entities in the State of New Hampshire, the Town of Carroll has not maintained historical cost records of its fixed assets. The amount that should be recorded in the general fixed assets account group is not known.


In our opinion, except for the effect on the financial statements of the omission described in the preceding paragraph, the general-purpose financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Town of Carroll, as of December 31, 1996, and the results of its operations and the cash flows of its nonexpendable trust funds for the year then ended in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles.

Our audit was made for the purpose of forming an opinion on the general-purpose financial statements taken as a whole. The combining and individual fund financial statements listed in the table of contents are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the general-purpose financial statements of the Town of Carroll. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the general-purpose financial statements and, in our opinion, is fairly presented in all material respects in relation to the general-purpose financial statements taken as a whole.

Town of Carroll
Independent Auditor's Report on Financial Presentation

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued a report dated February 7, 1997 on our consideration of the Town of Carroll's internal control structure and a report dated February 7, 1997 on its compliance with laws and regulations.

February 7, 1997


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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON THE INTERNAL CONTROL STRUCTURE BASED ON AN AUDIT OF GENERAL-PURPOSE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS PERFORMED IN ACCORDANCE WITH GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS

To the Members of the
Board of Selectmen
Town of Carroll
Carroll, New Hampshire

We have audited the general-purpose financial statements of the Town of Carroll, as of and for the year ended December 31, 1996, and have issued our report thereon, which was qualified as indicated therein, dated February 7, 1997.

We conducted our audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the general-purpose financial statements are free of material misstatement.

The management of the Town of Carroll is responsible for establishing and maintaining an internal control structure. In fulfilling this responsibility, estimates and judgments by management are required to assess the expected benefits and related costs of internal control structure policies and procedures. The objectives of an internal control structure are to provide management with reasonable, but not absolute, assurance that assets are safeguarded against loss from unauthorized use or disposition, and that transactions are executed in accordance with management's authorization and recorded properly to permit the preparation of general-purpose financial statements in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. Because of inherent limitations in any internal control structure, errors or irregularities may nevertheless occur and not be detected. Also, projection of any evaluation of the structure to future periods is subject to the risk that procedures may become inadequate because of changes in conditions or that the effectiveness of the design and operation of policies and procedures may deteriorate.

In planning and performing our audit of the general-purpose financial statements of the Town of Carroll for the year ended December 31, 1996, we obtained an understanding of the internal control structure. With respect to the internal control structure, we obtained an understanding of the design of relevant policies and procedures and whether they have been placed in operation, and we assessed control risk in order to determine our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the general-purpose financial statements and not to provide an opinion on the internal control structure. Accordingly, we do not express such an opinion.

Town of Carroll

Independent Auditor's Report on the Internal Control Structure Based on an Audit of General-Purpose Financial Statements Performed in Accordance with Government Auditing Standards

Our consideration of the internal control structure would not necessarily disclose all matters in the internal control structure that might be material weaknesses under standards established by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants. A material weakness is a condition in which the design or operation of one or more of the specific internal control structure elements does not reduce to a relatively low level the risk that errors or irregularities in amounts that would be material in relation to the general-purpose financial statements being audited may occur and not be detected within a timely period by employees in the normal course of performing their assigned functions. We noted no matters involving the internal control structure and its operations that we consider to be material weaknesses as defined above.

We noted other matters involving the internal control structure and its operation or opportunities for better efficiency and/or cost savings that we have discussed with management or specific individuals involved. These matters include the following:

PURCHASE ORDER POLICY

While the Town has established a formal purchase order policy, it was noted during the review of the internal controls that there were many instances where purchase orders should have been obtained, but were not.

We recommend the Board of Selectmen enforce the Town's purchase order policy and that properly approved and completed purchase orders be obtained prior to disbursement of funds.

WATER FUND

The Town presently supplies water service to a few Town of Bethlehem property owners. Since this service is provided to non-residents, their water rents, if remaining unpaid, cannot be committed to the Tax Collector and later taken to tax lien. Instead, these unpaid water rents remain on the books as uncollected and presently date back to 1993.

We recommend that any unpaid water rents that cannot be committed to the Tax Collector be turned over to a collection agency.

TWIN MOUNTAIN LIBRARY

During our examination of the library records, it was noted that invoices, once paid, were not being cancelled.

We recommend that when a disbursement is made, the invoice be properly cancelled by noting the check number, check date, account number/name, and amount of disbursement on the invoice. This will make the chance of duplicate payments virtually nonexistent and future inquiry much easier to perform.

Town of Carroll

Independent Auditor's Report on the Internal Control Structure Based on an Audit of General-Purpose Financial Statements Performed in Accordance with Government Auditing Standards

NONCOMPLIANCE WITH STATE STATUTES REGARDING TAX LIEN PROCEDURES

Upon the review of the Tax Collector's records, we found that the following State statutes had not been complied with regarding the tax lien procedures:

- **RSA 80:19 - Lien** - During the year, the Tax Collector took the lien on properties on October 22, 1996. This is approximately 22 days later than prescribed by law.
- **RSA 80:76 - Tax Deed** - states "The Tax Collector, after two years from the execution of the Real Estate tax lien, shall execute to the lienholder a deed of the land subject to the Real Estate tax lien and not redeemed...". No tax deeds were taken by the Tax Collector. By not issuing the tax deeds, the Town is prevented from selling the properties and putting them back on the tax rolls as viable property tax-generating properties. The Tax Collector has uncollected/unredeemed taxes amounting to \$78,174 dating back as far as 1991.

NONCOMPLIANCE WITH STATE ADMINISTRATIVE RULINGS

Rev 506.07 - Notice of Tax Delinquencies (Arrearages) and Unredeemed Tax Liens - The Tax Collector did not send out these notices within the required 90 days. Instead, these notices were sent out in 155 days.

Greater care should be taken to insure that the Tax Collector complies with the State statutes and rulings.

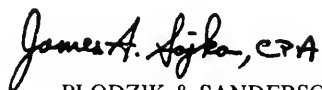
TREASURER

During our audit of the Treasurer's accounts, we noted that the monthly reports were all completed after year end. This prevented the general accounting records from being reconciled on a timely basis.

We recommend that the Treasurer complete the monthly reports on a timely basis, which would allow the general accounting records to be properly reconciled.

This report is intended for the information of management. However, this report is a matter of public record, and its distribution is not limited.

February 7, 1997

James A. Plodzik, CPA

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**Tax Collector's Report
Summary of Tax Accounts
Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1996**

Debits

Uncollected Taxes- Beginning of Fiscal Year	1996	1995	1993
Property Taxes	\$ 367,512.31		
Pre-payments	161.71		
Yield Taxes	26,687.90	378.59	

Taxes Committed to Collector

Property Taxes	1,658,688.00
Current Use Change	290.00
Yield Taxes	82,993.15
Water	9,545.58
Overpayment tax	8.00
Prepayment of taxes 1997	3,879.14
Interest Collected on Delinquent Taxes (Property)	3,816.16
1995 Property Interest	35,190.20

Total Debits	\$1,749,674.45	\$439,097.70	\$378.59
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Credits

Remitted to Treasurer During Fiscal Year	1996	1995	1993
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Property Taxes	\$1,445,758.55	277,354.31	
Land Use Change	290.00		
Yield Tax	14,705.64	1,600.50	
Utilities - Water		2,941.51	
Interest	3,816.16	15,860.83	
Prepayment of taxes 1997	2,477.14		
Tax Lien		141,340.50	
Abateements-Property	195.00		
Yield Tax	74.84		

**Uncollected Taxes End
of Fiscal Year**

Property Tax	214,144.45		
Yield Tax	68,212.67		378.59
Excess Debit		.05	

Total Credits	\$1,749,674.45	\$439,097.70	\$378.59
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Town Clerks Report

1996

<u>ITEM</u>	<u>NUMBER ISSUED</u>	<u>COLLECTED</u>
Registrations	1024	\$ 74,116.00
Refunds		(589.00)
Returned Checks		(234.00)
Replaced Checks		210.00
Replaced Checks fees		40.00
Dog Licenses	87	509.50
Filing Fees	7	7.00
Marriage Licenses	22	990.00
Dump Decals	52	26.00
Refunds		589.00
Total Collected \$		75,664.50
Less fees		<u>(196.50)</u>
Total Deposited \$		75,468.00

Note: \$10,754.00 increase from 1995

Submitted by:

Louise M. Staples
Town Clerk

Vital Statistics January 1, 1996 - December 31, 1996

MARRIAGES

<u>DATE</u>	<u>GROOM</u>	<u>BRIDE</u>
01-03-96	James T. Cookson	Judith A. Noel
02-17-96	Daniel L. Smulski	Linda L. Hawes
06-15-96	Chad E. LaBounty	Jeannine M. Brodeur
06-16-96	Philip C. Coughlan	Sheila R. Gortler
06-30-96	John L. Marshall	Leslie A. Dwyer
06-30-96	Mark F. Turcotte	Amanda D. Thompson
07-05-96	William F. Russell	Kimberly A. Murray
07-06-96	Jan F. Dutton	Amy L. Wrentmore
07-13-96	Zachary J. MacDonald	Debra A. Vroman
07-13-96	Russell A. Lennon	Donna J. Jenkins
07-20-96	Louis T. Tranfalia	Lisa A. Tate
07-31-96	Glenn S. Bochert	Lucie Slivova
08-10-96	Geoffrey R. Lepoer	Lori A. Gummerus
08-17-96	James T. Marshall	Lisa A. Morneau
08-24-96	Thomas J. Malloy	Keri L. Manley
08-31-96	Harold L. Lichten	Susanne C. Csongor
09-01-96	David H. Schwartz	Lori B. Horowitz
09-01-96	John C. Healey	Kristin R. Dallmann
09-07-96	John M. Putnam	Kathleen N. Driscoll
09-07-96	Roland J. Fiore	Holly A. Hinton
09-21-96	Arthur E. Syphan	Kathleen M. Saffian
09-27-96	Keith W. Chapman	Ann P. Proctor
10-12-96	Timothy R. Keiser	Joyce E. Sisson

BIRTHS

<u>DATE</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>PLACE OF BIRTH</u>
04-07-96	Rebeka Lee Kenison	Lebanon
05-23-96	Kody Brett Carlson	Lancaster
08-25-96	Mikayla Louise Fahey	Lancaster

DEATHS

<u>DATE</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>PLACE OF DEATH</u>
02-26-96	Nicholas Halpern	Carroll
02-27-96	Lucien Morneau	Littleton
03-08-96	Maurice Jordan	Littleton
05-04-96	Neil Brown	Twin Mountain
05-31-96	Hilda Wynn	Twin Mountain
19-19-96	Mary Arnesen	Florida

Respectfully submitted,

Louise M. Staples
Town Clerk

TREASURERS REPORT 1996

Cash on hand 1/1/96	\$253,867.11
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Receipts during year:

Tax Collector	\$1,969,836.75
Town Clerk	75,468.00
Selectmen's Office	100,980.16
Water Department	240,572.79
Tax Anticipated Notes	-0-
Interest NOW Account	5,486.50

Less:

Service Charges & Fees	807.23
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Total Receipts:	\$2,391,536.97
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Orders paid by Selectmen	<\$2,136,888.19>
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Total Cash on hand 12/31/96	\$ 508,515.89
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Respectfully Submitted,
Diane B. Harris
Treasurer

LONG TERM DEBT

Water Project:

Original Loan Amount	\$750,000.00
Date of loan	8/18/94
Interest Rate	4.5%
Maturity Date	8/18/24
Balance as of 12/31/95	\$725,053.67

CASH RECEIPTS

December 31, 1996

SELECTMEN'S OFFICE

1997 Water Rent	\$ 14.59
1996 Water Rent	49,813.48
1996 Water Rent Interest	44.51
1995 Water Rent	5,855.84
1995 Water Rent Interest	427.37
Water Department	184,417.00
Timber Bonds	3,355.35
Cemetery	165.00
Police Department	939.80
Fire Department	4,540.00
Recreation Dept.	1,939.33
Landfill	445.64
Planning Board	724.83
Board of Adjustment	164.86
Building Permits/C.O.'s	2,906.52
Federal Government	12,151.00
Payment in Lieu of Taxes	3,031.00
Sale of Town Property	1,336.99
State of NH	30,870.82
Coke & Copy Machine	433.77
Sale of Zoning, Subdiv., lists	120.00
Refunds	22,843.75
Cable Franchise	3,320.41
Miscellaneous	11,691.09

TOTAL \$ 341,552.95

TAX COLLECTOR

1997 Property Tax	2,477.14
1996 Property Tax	1,439,489.03
1996 Property Tax Int.	3,816.16
1995 Property Tax	275,347.22
1995 Property Tax Int.	15,519.16
Tax Lien Redeemed	176,040.10
Redemptions Int. & Costs	37,307.56
1996 Yield Tax	14,705.64

Cash Receipts 1996

Tax Collector Continued.....

1995 Yield Tax & Int.	1,860.12
Water Rent & Int.	2,923.70
Current Use Penalty	290.00
Miscellaneous	60.92
TOTAL	\$1,969,836.75

TOWN CLERK

Motor Vehicle Permits	74,092.00
Marriage Licenses	836.00
Dog Licenses	467.00
Dump Decals	26.00
Filing Fees	7.00
Returned Check Fees	40.00
TOTAL	\$ 75,468.00

TREASURER

Interest on Deposits	5,486.50
TOTAL	\$ 5,486.50

Total Deposited all departments	\$2,392,344.20
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1996 Appropriations & Expenses

Town Officers Salaries

1996 Appropriation \$ 31,994

Selectman-First	\$ 1,800
Selectman-Second	1,500
Selectman-Third	1,500
Treasurer	1,500
Town Clerk & Tax Coll.	25,807
Dep. Town Clerk	4,671
Trustees of Trust Funds	450
Library Trustees	300

1996 Expenditures \$37,528

Town Officers Expenses

1996 Appropriation \$ 47,547

Selectman's Secretary	\$ 19,326
Selectmen's Office Staff	4,909
Office Supplies	3,339
Postage	2,145
Telephone	1,847
Town Officers Expenses	1,289
Bank Service Charges	784
Advertisements	578
Registrars Fees	798
Audit	4,800
Tax Map	1,370
Town Report	1,118
Office Equipment	432
Computer Software Support	1,387
Office Equip. Maint.	719
Association Dues	580
Miscellaneous	231

1996 Expenditures \$ 45,652

Election & Registration

1996 Appropriation \$ 4,347

Supervisors Sittings	\$ 306
Town Meeting Supervisors	200
Moderator	630

Selectmen Salary	450
Supervisors Elections	500
Ballot Clerks	1212
Supervisors Expenses	93
Advertisements	604

1996 Expenditures	\$ 3,995
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Town Hall & Other Buildings

1996 Appropriation	\$ 22,600
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Janitor	\$ 1,960
Town Buildings Labor	337
Recreation Area Labor	1,441
Electricity	5,204
Janitorial Supplies	673
Repair & Maintenance	3,399
Recreation Area Maint.	425
Fuel Oil	9,481
Miscellaneous	320

1996 Expenditures	\$ 23,240
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Building Inspector

1996 Appropriation	\$ 3,500
1996 Expenditures	\$ 3,739

Payroll Expenses

1996 Appropriation	\$ 51,466
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Retirement	\$ 2,157
FICA	9,102
Employee Insurance	32,922
Unemployment Comp	1,809
Medicare	2,828

1996 Expenditures	\$ 48,818
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Property Assessing

1996 Appropriation	\$ 7,000
1996 Expenditures	\$ 4,386

Police Department

1996 Appropriation	\$ 98,136
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Chief's Salary	\$ 30,768
Full Time Officer -1st	23,635
Full Time Officer -2nd	21,397
Special Officer	6,328
Overtime	1,234
Office Supplies	775
Telephone	2,333
Conventions, etc.	295
Equipment Purchase	2,075
Radio repair	20
Vehicle Repairs & Maint.	2,964
Gasoline	3,353
Training	1,775
Clothing	1,071
Misc. & Enforcement	1,684

1996 Expenditures \$ 99,707

Fire Department

1996 Appropriation \$ 29,540

Fire Chief Salary	\$ 3,000
Fire Department Salaries	2,993
Deputy Chief EMS	500
Office Supplies	243
Equipment Supplies	1,085
Medical Supplies	706
Medical Equipment	2,008
Telephone	1,676
Dispatching	2,213
EMT Salaries	2,166
Inoculations	915
Equipment Purchase	5,385
Radio Repairs	897
Vehicle Repairs & Maint	1,788
Equipment Operating Costs	57
Gasoline & Diesel Fuel	562
Travel Reimbursement	591
Training	3,839
Clothing	799
Fire Prevention	450
Mutual Aid	373
North Pact Mutual Aid	100
Miscellaneous	552

1996 Expenditures \$ 32,898

Planning Board

1996 Appropriation \$ 6,220

Secretary	\$ 937
Board Member Salaries	530
Office Supplies	125
Postage	150
Advertisements	568
Legal Fees	0
North Country Council	1022
Registrars Fees	126
Engineering	0
Circuit Rider	716
Miscellaneous	0

1996 Expenditures \$ 4,174

Board of Adjustment

1996 Appropriation \$ 3,760

Secretary	\$ 497
Board Member Salaries	360
Office Supplies	198
Postage	50
Advertisements	116
Legal Expenses	23

1996 Expenditures \$ 1,244

Miscellaneous

1995 Appropriation \$ 76,400

Hydrant Fees	\$ 43,500
Street Lighting	15,905
Legal Expenses	6,581
Dog Costs	39
Memorial Day	204
Airport	2,655
Contingency	1,294

1996 Expenditures \$ 70,178

Insurance

1996 Appropriation \$ 37,591

Town Insurance \$ 24,434

Workmen's Comp.	11,091
Worker's Comp. Audit	0

1996 Expenditures	\$ 35,525
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Office of Emergency Management

1996 Appropriation	\$ 500
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Director's Salary	\$ 100
Training	-0-

1996 Expenditures	\$ 100
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Library

1996 Appropriation	\$ 5,464
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Librarian Salary	\$ 3,032
Books & Materials	2,000
Telephone	500

1996 Expenditures	\$ 5,532
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Highway Department

1996 Appropriation	\$ 60,397
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Salaries	\$ 28,266
Part Time Labor	4,399
Overtime	3,463
Telephone	526
Shop Expense	1,140
Tools	34
Equipment Purchase	712
Equip. Repairs & Maint.	11,021
Radio Repairs	135
Road Maintenance	12,556
Equipment Fuel	2,082
Clothing	125
Miscellaneous	271

1996 Expenditures	\$ 64,730
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Water Department

1996 Appropriation	\$ 42,761
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Salaries	\$ 4,250
Part Time Labor	427

Contract Labor	5,165
Overtime	845
Water Supplies	2,597
Postage	125
Telephone	642
Electricity	23,111
Propane	1,793
Equipment Repairs	7,370
Dam Maintenance	0
Chlorine	0
Water Samples	2,464
License & Fees	210
Miscellaneous	78

1996 Expenditures	\$ 49,077
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Landfill

1996 Appropriation	\$ 67,250
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Landfill Attendant	\$ 8,164
Other Salaries	494
Electricity	822
Contracts-Littleton Septic	0
Licenses	50
Hauling Solid Waste	56,871
Removal Metal/Tires	0
Compactor	3,900
Site Work/Grading	1,102
Equipment Purchase	54
Equipment Repairs & Maint.	300
Fuel	27
Miscellaneous	0

1996 Expenditures	\$ 71,784
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Cemetery

1996 Appropriation	\$ 2,421
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Salaries	\$ 2,275
Maintenance	32

1996 Expenditures	\$ 2,307
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Town Poor

1996 Appropriation	\$ 2,500
1996 Expenditures	\$ 1,066

Recreation Department

1996 Appropriation \$ 7,950

Attendant	\$ 8,318
Telephone	159
Equipment	224
Parties	197
Ski Program	455
Bambino Baseball	0
Baseball Field Repair	928

1996 Expenditures \$ 10,281

Interest

1996 Appropriation \$ 38,059

Int. Tax Antic. Notes	\$ 0
Int. Long Term Notes	33,059

1996 Expenditures \$ 33,059

Principal Long Term Notes

1996 Appropriation \$ 12,751

1996 Expenditures \$ 12,751

Capital Reserve Funds

1996 Appropriation \$ 57,000

Police Cruiser	\$ 10,000
Fire Truck & Equip.	10,000
Highway Equipment	10,000
Pick-Up Truck	2,000
Emergency Van	5,000
Land & Buildings	10,000
Landfill Closure	10,000

1996 Expenditures \$ 57,000

Total Operating Budget 1996 \$717,154

Total Expenditures 1996 718,771

Warrant Articles

	Appropriated	Expended
Chamber of Commerce	\$ 5,000	\$ 5,000
American Red Cross	212	212
Juvenile Court Diversion	335	335
Community Action Program	650	650
White Mt. Mental Health	904	904
North Country Home Health	1,290	1,290
Littleton Hospital	1,000	1,000
Hospice of Littleton	316	316
Household Hazard Waste	528	528
Total Warrant Articles:	\$ 10,235	\$ 10,235

Non-appropriated Expenses

Payments to State of NH	\$ 901
Payments to Coos County	279,336
Carryovers from 1995	3,793
Refunds	13,118
School Payments	972,680
Water Improvement Project	134,030
Miscellaneous	6,210
Total Non-appropriated Expenses	\$ 1,410,068

Report of Salaries and Wages 1996

ADAMS, JUDITH Planning Board	\$ 697.50
ADAMS, RICHARD Planning Board	75.00
BALL, RICHARD II Special Police Officer	451.50
BELL, PHILIP Fire Dept.	5.50
BERRY, EDWINA Supervisor of Checklist	368.00
BOUSQUIN, EDMUND Highway Dept.	1594.00
BRAUNS, ELEANOR Supervisor of Checklist Library, Trustee of Trust Funds	616.25
BRODEUR, GEORGE Fire Dept.	35.50
BRODEUR, MARC Fire Dept.	198.00
CARUSO, FRANK J. Zoning Board	120.00
CHAPUT, JOAN Trustee of Trust Funds	250.00
CHAPUT, RAYMOND Fire Dept., Moderator	1007.50
CLOUGH, RUSSELL Fire Dept., Bd. of Adjustment	20.00
CORMIER, EUGENE Highway, Water, Landfill	33,392.21
CORMIER, JILL Highway Dept.	228.75

CORMIER, MICHELLE Trustee of Trust Funds, Board of Adjustment	140.00
CORMIER, PAUL Planning Board	120.00
DANIELS, EDWARD J. Fire Dept.	11.00
DUNCAN, JEFFREY Special Police Officer	967.50
DUPONT, ROBERT Landfill	7,949.50
FABRIZIO, ANN Library Trustee	100.00
FLUMERFELT, DEAN R. Highway Dept.	9,721.90
FOSTER, JOHN Fire Dept.	104.50
GARDINER, JOHN Police Chief	30,768.41
GARNEAU, DANIEL Fire Dept.	11.00
GARNEAU, WAYNE Fire Dept.	5.50
GAULT, KEVIN Janitor	1,975.14
HALLQUIST, KIMBERLY Administrative Assistant	20,552.63
HARRIS, DIANE Treasurer	1,570.00
HARRIS, HEATHER Recreation Dept.	1,387.50
HARRIS, WILLIAM Selectman, Planning Board, Fire Dept.	2,687.50

HOLLIS, FREDERICK Office of Emergency Mgt. Fire Department	258.50
HORSCH, RAY Fire Dept.	121.00
INGERSOLL, PAUL PD Special Officer	336.00
JELLISON, GREGORY T. Recreation Dept.	11.00
JOHNSON, THEODORE Fire Dept.	253.00
JUBINVILLE, GUY M. Fire Dept.	99.00
LANE, MICHAEL E. Recreation Dept.	1,254.00
LAVELLE, KELLY K. Recreation Dept.	984.50
LAVELLE, MICHAEL Selectman	1,650.00
LEONARD, AMY Selectmen's Office Town Clerk's Office	6,609.59
LUEBKE, DANIEL L. Board of Adjustment	30.00
MAHLE, LAWRENCE Fire Dept.	121.00
MARSHALL, LESLIE A. Deputy Town Clerk & Tax Collector	1,954.49
MARTIN, PATRICIA Library Trustee	355.00
MCCOLE, TIMOTHY Fire Dept.	170.50
MC GEE, HERBERT Planning Board	110.00
MONAHAN, THELMA Librarian	2,899.00

MORNEAU, COLLEEN B. Recreation Dept.	1,911.00
NEWELL, DONNA M. Recreation Dept.	1,191.00
PICCOLO, BEATRICE J. Recreation Dept.	1,590.00
RAMSDELL, ROY Fire Dept.	275.00
RICARDI, CHARLES Planning Board	100. 00
ROESCH, ROBERT Patrolman	22,774.20
ROUILLARD, MARCIA A. Selectman's Office	1,148.43
SHAHEEN, MICHAEL Fire Dept.	253.00
SMALLEY, WILLIAM Police Corporal	25,568.15
STALABOIN, ROBERT Fire Dept.	3,297.00
STAPLES, LOUISE Town Clerk/Tax Collector (Town Salary = \$9,944.48 Fees = 15,862.17)	25,806.65
SZCAKMARY, FRANZ Fire Dept.	176.00
TEMPLE, GEORGE E. Planning Board	10.00
THOMPSON, IRENE Trustee of Trust Funds	100.00
TOMPKINS, WILFORD Special Police Officer	3,307.50
WHITCOMB, GARY L. Highway Dept.	391.50
WOLF, JOHN PD Special Police Officer	1,510.50

WRIGHT, PETER
Landfill

394.00

WRIGHT, WILLIAM
Selectman

1,650.00

E. M. T. REIMBURSEMENTS

Theresa Armstrong	\$ 60.00
George Brodeur	102.00
Marc Brodeur	258.00
Jeff Blais	42.00
Ed Daniels	12.00
Jeff Duncan	36.00
John Foster	474.00
Geri Garneau	108.00
Bob Harris	342.00
Ray Horsch	12.00
Kevin Holland	6.00
Guy Jubinville	54.00
Tim McCole	18.00
John St. Martin	12.00
Roy Ramsdell	114.00
Kelly Shaheen	30.00
Michael Shaheen	174.00
Bill Smalley	78.00
Bob Stalaboin	120.00
Franz Szakmary	24.00
Toni Werner	144.00
Total	\$2,166.00

**Water Rent Report
1996**

1995 Water Rent Warrant:	\$68,274.85
Rents Collected in 1995:	52,989.55
Rents collected in 1996:	5,855.84
Interest collected in 1995:	17.60
Interest collected in 1996:	427.37
Abatements Granted:	310.15
Unpaid Bethlehem rents:	264.35
Unpaid Rents Committed to Tax Collector:	\$8,854.96
Unpaid Interest Due Committed:	690.62

1996 Water Rent Warrant:	\$60,870.20
1996 Supplemental Water Rent Warrant:	1,118.85
Total 1996 Water Rent:	\$61,989.05
Rents Collected in 1996:	49,813.48
Interest collected in 1996:	44.51
Abatements Granted	55.30
Total outstanding 12/31/96	\$12,120.27

Water Department Revenues 1996

1997 Water Rent	\$ 14.59
1996 Water Rent & Interest	49,857.99
1995 Water Rent & Interest	6,283.21
Rents collected by Tax Collector	2,923.70
Hydrant Fees	28,000.00
State of NH Water Grant	13,743.00
Farmers Home Grant	141,809.00
Insurance reimbursement	565.00
Miscellaneous	300.00
Total Receipts 1996	\$243,496.49

Water Department Expenses 1996

M.E. Latulippe Construction	\$ 52,753.01
Little River Rd. Water Main Extension	
Consumers Applied Technology	59,841.37
Water Meter Contract	
Provan & Lorber - Engineering	9,134.53
Tremblay & Associates	6,500.00
Water Billing Software	
Plodzik & Sanderson - Audit	750.00
Omni-Trol	4,950.00
Pump Station Equipment	
Repayment of Water Project Loan	45,810.00
Budgeted Expenses	49,076.81
Payroll Exp: Fica/Medi/Insurance	1,346.88
Miscellaneous	1,500.00
 Total Water Department Expenses 1996	 \$ 231,662.60

**Report of the Trust Funds
December 31, 1996**

Report of Common Trust Fund Investments
Cemetery Trust Funds

Asker, John (7/26/84)

Bal. Beginning Year Principal	\$100.00
Bal. End Year Prin.	100.00
Bal. Beginning Year Income	15.53
Income During Year	2.81
Bal. End Year Income	18.34
Grand Total	118.34

Baldic/MacMillan (3/5/41)

Bal. Beginning Year Principal	\$200.00
Bal. End Year Prin.	200.00
Bal. Beginning Year Income	682.24
Income During Year	21.47
Expended During Year	5.00
Balance End Year Income	698.71
Grand Total	898.71

Barron, Harry (3/20/69)

Bal. Beginning Year Principal	\$200.00
Bal. End Year Prin.	200.00
Bal. Beginning Year Income	27.27
Income During Year	5.53
Expended During Year	5.00
Balance End Year Income	27.80
Grand Total	227.80

Flynn, Ellen (9/15/27)

Bal. Beginning Year Principal	\$300.00
Bal. End Year Prin.	300.00
Bal. Beginning Year Income	528.28
Income During Year	20.16
Expended During Year	5.00
Balance End Year Income	543.44
Grand Total	843.44

Glines, Celia G. (5/25/27)

Bal. Beginning Year Principal	\$100.00
Bal. End Year Prin.	100.00
Bal. Beginning Year Income	423.54
Income During Year	12.74
Expended During Year	5.00
Balance End Year Income	431.28
Grand Total	531.28

Glines, Ebenezer (5/27/27)	
Bal. Beginning Year Principal	\$100.00
Bal. End Year Prin.	100.00
Bal. Beginning Year Income	448.20
Income During Year	13.34
Expended During Year	5.00
Balance End Year Income	456.54
Grand Total	556.54
Gooden, Larry & Alfrieda (2/12/74)	
Bal. Beginning Year Principal	\$100.00
Bal. End Year Prin.	100.00
Bal. Beginning Year Income	70.79
Income During Year	4.16
Expended During Year	0.00
Balance End Year Income	77.95
Grand Total	174.95
Hunt, John (9/16/39)	
Bal. Beginning Year Principal	\$100.00
Bal. End Year Prin.	100.00
Bal. Beginning Year Income	415.02
Income During Year	12.53
Expended During Year	5.00
Balance End Year Income	422.55
Grand Total	522.55
Pierce, Ethel (9/17/87)	
Bal. Beginning Year Principal	\$100.00
Bal. End Year Prin.	100.00
Bal. Beginning Year Income	14.57
Income During Year	2.79
Balance End Year Income	17.36
Grand Total	117.36
Straw, G.A. (10/10/45)	
Bal. Beginning Year Principal	\$100.00
Bal. End Year Prin.	100.00
Bal. Beginning Year Income	271.85
Income During Year	9.05
Expended During Year	5.00
Balance End Year Income	275.90
Grand Total	375.90
Vials, John A. (11/7/24)	
Bal. Beginning Year Principal	\$100.00
Bal. End Year Prin.	100.00
Bal. Beginning Year Income	490.70
Income During Year	14.38
Expended During Year	5.00
Balance End Year Income	500.08
Grand Total	600.08

Weldon, Ken & Dorothy (12/15/81)	
Bal. Beginning Year Principal	\$150.00
Bal. End Year Prin.	150.00
Bal. Beginning Year Income	43.41
Income During Year	4.71
Balance End Year Income	48.12
Grand Total	198.12

Blaggie, Ruth	
Bal. Beginning Year Principal	\$100.00
Bal. End Year Principal	100.00
Bal. Beginning Year Income	9.96
Income During Year	2.68
Balance End Year Income	12.64
Grand Total	112.64

Report of Trust and Capital Reserve Funds

Bretton Woods Charitable Trust	
Bal. Beginning Year Principal	17,897.57
Bal. End Year Prin.	17,897.57
Bal. Beginning Year Income	14,000.71
Income During Year	1,907.82
Expended During Year	1.02
Balance End Year Income	15,907.51
Grand Total Prin. & Income	33,805.08

Bridge Fund	
Bal. Beginning Year Principal	7,000.00
New Funds Created	-0-
Bal. End Year Prin.	7,000.00
Bal. Beginning Year Income	7,476.03
Income During Year	722.75
Balance End Year Income	8,198.78
Grand Total Prin. & Income	15,198.78

New Land/Building	
Bal. Beginning Year Principal	30,127.17
New Funds Created	10,000.00
Bal. End Year Prin.	40,127.17
Bal. Beginning Year Income	1,251.64
Income During Year	1,379.29
Bal. End Year Income	2,630.93
Grand Total Prin. & Income	42,758.10

Fire/Emergency Equipment	
Bal. Beginning Year Principal	56,000.00
New Funds Created	10,000.00
Bal. End Year Prin.	66,100.00
Bal. Beginning Year Income	20,984.51
Income During Year	3,844.19
Balance End Year Income	24,828.70
Grand Total Prin. & Income	90,928.70

Highway Fund	
Bal. Beginning Year Principal	48,091.12
New Funds Created	10,000.00
Bal. End Year Prin.	58,091.12
Bal. Beginning Year Income	20,995.69
Income During Year	3,444.88
Balance End Year Income	24,440.57
Grand Total Prin. & Income	82,531.69

Police Cruiser	
Bal. Beginning Year Principal	123.57
New Funds Created	10,000.00
Bal. End Year Prin.	10,123.57
Bal. Beginning Year Income	1,221.19
Income During Year	74.07
Balance End Year Income	1,295.26
Grand Total Prin. & Income	11,418.83

Road Improvements	
Bal. Beginning Year Principal	25,000.00
Bal. End Year Prin.	25,000.00
Bal. Beginning Year Income	35,626.11
Income During Year	3,105.85
Balance End Year Income	38,731.96
Grand Total Prin. & Income	63,731.96

Water Improvements	
Bal. Beginning Year Principal	1,320.48
Bal. End Year Prin.	1,320.48
Bal. Beginning Year Income	52.55
Income During Year	68.55
Balance End Year Income	121.10
Grand Total Prin. & Income	1,441.58

Emergency Van	
Bal. Beginning Year Principal	22,000.00
New Funds Created	5,000.00
Bal. End Year Prin.	27,000.00
Bal. Beginning Year Income	1,626.37
Income During Year	1,175.16
Balance End of Year Income	2,801.53
Grand Total Prin. & Income	29,801.53

Pick-up Truck

Bal. Beginning Year Principal	18,000.00
New Funds Created	2,000.00
Bal. End Year Prin.	20,000.00
Bal. Beginning Year Income	2,210.43
Income During Year	1,006.78
Balance End of Year Income	3,217.21
Grand Total Prin. & Income	23,217.21

Recreation Building

Bal. Beginning Year Principal	15,389.13
Bal. End Year Prin.	15,389.13
Bal. Beginning Year Income	3,269.25
Income During Year	931.57
Balance End of Year Income	4,200.82
Grand Total Prin. & Income	19,589.95

Cemetery Funds

Bal. Beginning Year Principal	1,750.00
Bal. End Year Prin.	1,750.00
Bal. Beginning Year Income	3,441.36
Income During Year	126.35
Expended During Year	40.00
Bal. End Year Income	3,527.71
Grand Total Prin. & Income	5,277.71

Landfill Closure

Bal. Beginning Year Principal	12,000.00
New Funds Created	10,000.00
Bal. End Year Principal	22,000.00
Bal. Beginning Year Income	96.50
Income During Year	606.64
Bal. End Year Income	703.14
Grand Total Prin. & Income	22,703.14

**1996 Report of Trustees of the Trust Fund
BRETTON WOODS CHARITABLE TRUST**

There were no expenditures for the year 1996 from this Trust Fund.

Joan P. Chaput
Treasurer

**Twin Mountain Public Library Trustees
Treasurer's Report 1996**

Receipts: Balance as of December 31, 1995	\$1279.72
Appropriation (March 1996)	2500.00
	* \$3779.72
Donations	682.50
	* \$4462.22
Expenditures:	
Books	\$1612.08
Periodicals	86.05
Telephone	499.62
Misc.	574.08
Dues	45.00
Renovation	300.00
Balance as of December 31, 1996	* \$1344.49

Submitted by:
Board of Trustees

Selectmen's Report 1996

The Board continued to work on plans to renovate the Town Hall in 1996. After meeting several times with contractors to consider what our options would be, it was decided to first fix the roof and heating system. The roof repair job was put out to bid and was awarded to Paul Cormier in September. Hopefully by the Spring the Town Hall will have a new roof and plans to renovate the building can continue. A survey of the town hall property was done to see exactly what is owned by the Town. We plan to seek approval at Town Meeting to negotiate with the property owner to buy a portion of the seven acre piece that abuts the Town Hall. The money to purchase the land was authorized at the March 1995 Town Meeting. With additional land the Town can be assured of ample space for the growth of municipal buildings into the future.

In April we started a newsletter, *Town of Carroll Times*, to keep the residents of the town better informed on what is going on. The newsletters are published on an as needed basis and can be picked up at the local stores, the library and the town offices. While the newsletter contains important information, we urge all to read the minutes of meetings that are posted on the bulletin boards.

The owners of the Mt. Washington Hotel led a fund raising effort to purchase radios for the Fire Department. They felt that it was important that the Fire Department have new radios so they raised the money through donations from the Bretton Woods Ski Area, condominium homeowners, Twin Mountain Chamber of Commerce and residents of the town. \$8,500 was raised and the radios have been purchased. We appreciate the efforts of all who donated.

Thanks to the efforts of the Office of State Planning, the power lines through the scenic area of Route 3 North have been buried, saving the spectacular views in that area. Peter Helm, Office of State Planning, coordinated with the State Department of Transportation, Public Service, NYNEX and the Town to do the work needed to have approximately 2,000 feet of conduit buried. The only expense to the Town was a few days of labor of highway department personnel to assist in the project. It took the cooperation of all parties to get the job done.

The long disputed Twin Mountain Sand & Gravel case was finally put to rest in 1996. The Supreme Court heard arguments in the case in June and rendered their decision in November. Unfortunately, the Supreme Court did not rule in favor of the Town, but instead ruled that the lands owned by Arthur Whitcomb as of the exclusion date in 1989, are exempted from town regulations of zoning and site plan review. The Court did rule, however, that the Town can regulate things that it would normally oversee for all industrial operations such as traffic and roads, landscaping and building specifications, snow, garbage and sewage removal, signs and other related subjects. The Board is confident that Twin Mountain Sand & Gravel will continue to communicate with the Town and will do their best to address the concerns of their neighbors.

We would like to extend our thanks to the many people who make this town a great place to live: the Town employees, volunteer Board members such as Planning and Zoning Board and Budget Committee, Recreation Committee members, Firemen and E.M.T.'s, and the many civic groups that contribute their efforts for the good of the Town. We can be proud of our town in

large part because of the efforts of those that take an interest in what goes on and who work to make things better. We are always looking for people to serve on the various Boards - if you are interested please give us a call or stop by our weekly Selectmen's Meeting and let us know.

Sincerely,
CARROLL BOARD OF SELECTMEN

William R. Harris
Chairman

William J. Wright
Selectman

Michael E. Lavelle
Selectman

Please be sure to attend Town Meeting on March 11, 1997

CARROLL POLICE DEPARTMENT 1996 Annual Report

There is some good news to report for 1996. There was a reduction of 14% in reported crimes in 1995. The major reason for the overall decrease is a 20% reduction in reported thefts. There were far fewer reported thefts at the ski area and there were fewer reported car breaks at trailheads in 1996. Correspondingly, calls for service also decreased by 12% from a high of 1600 in 1995.

There was some bad news however. Two areas that saw increases in 1996 were traffic accidents and family disputes. Reported accidents increased 18% above the figures of 1995. The other area showing an alarming increase was family disputes. These are known in police parlance as domestics. In the last few years these calls have skyrocketed, highlighting a disturbing trend. These types of calls are responsible for more injuries and death to police officers than any other type of call.

Here are some of the highlights in 1996 beginning in January. The department received numerous complaints of snowmobilers causing havoc around town as well as numerous domestics. A pedestrian was struck while crossing Rt. 302 near the AMC Hostel. He was knocked into a snowbank and was not seriously injured. In February, there were five arrests ranging from possession of marijuana to staging an accident and making a false report to law enforcement officers. A hiker died when he became lost and disorientated in a snowstorm.

In March one of our school buses was struck while turning around on Rt. 115. The operator of the vehicle that struck the bus was cited for excessive speed. The department assisted in the arrest of an employee of the ski area, for credit card fraud. This employee was recording guests credit card numbers, then using them to order merchandize for himself. The town hall was burglarized as well as several others in surrounding towns. There are two suspects to this crime who were apprehended the following month for a burglary in Conway. They are in jail and are

refusing to cooperate with the police.

In April the department continued to respond to domestics and in one incident seized two handguns and four rifles per order of the court. Another handgun was reported stolen from a residence on Rt. 3. This handgun was later recovered in September with an arrest of two men in Northfield, N.H. May saw the arrest of two men. One was for passing bad checks the other shoplifted a snowmobile shirt from Garneau's Garage.

During June the department arrested an adult male for fondling a young teenage girl, and the first burglary and theft at the Mt. Washington Hotel was reported. In July more burglaries occurred at the hotel, as well as one at Fabyans Restaurant and one at a residence on Lower Falls Rd. Three expensive Mt. Bikes were stolen from the ski area. Two young adult males are presently under indictment for the Fabyans burglary.

In August seven more burglaries and thefts occurred at the hotel. These thefts also included credit card fraud, as stolen credit cards were used to purchase goods and services in other New England states. Due to our increased calls for service, the department requested the assistance of the State Police. The department also investigated several assaults, two criminal mischiefs' and other assorted crimes. The department also assisted in the evacuation of a serious injured hiker in Crawford Notch.

During September the burglaries and thefts continued at Mt. Washington Hotel, seemingly unabated despite our intense efforts. State Police detectives after interviewing witnesses and victims were able to provide composite drawings of a male and female suspect. This department had been able to locate store surveillance videos featuring the male suspect. At that point we had pictures, but the suspects in these pictures were still unidentified.

Because the object of many of these thefts seemed to be credit cards, I requested that the United States Secret Service enter the case. Major credit card fraud is directly under the purview of the Secret Service and is a Federal crime. The Secret Service agreed to assist in the investigation. Officers from this department, the State Police and Secret Service then met and formulated a game plan. The plan called for Special Agents of the Secret Service who are especially trained in electronic surveillance to enter the case and scope out the Mt. Washington Hotel. The goal was to set up a sting operation at the hotel to catch our thief. Two agents from Boston and Washington were assigned. They accomplished their task in early September with a target date of early October. Final plans were crystallizing when serendipity intervened. On September 21st a chance encounter in the hotel between an employee and the suspect lead to a confrontation and police involvement. Before the day was finished a suspect was in custody and investigators were working diligently to link him to past crimes at the hotel.

The suspect, Raymond X. Flynn of Cape Cod, Massachusetts, by all accounts is a professional thief, having been arrested more than fifteen times and having served various prison terms for numerous offenses. Likewise his female confederate in these hotel burglaries, is no stranger to crime either. Her assistance allowed them to pose as guests of the hotel, where they mingled among the guests and committed these burglaries unmolested for a long time. Hopefully

their arrests will cramp their style and put them behind bars for an equally long time.

In October four juveniles who had escaped from a training facility in Jefferson were captured in town driving a stolen truck. In November, Flynn and Kimball were indicted for multiple burglaries and thefts at the Mt. Washington Hotel. Finally in December the new ski season ushered in another spate of stolen skis and equipment from the ski area.

The department was also involved in several community projects during the year. In April, Patrolman Roesch along with town Firefighter Fred Hollis visited the Whitefield Elementary School. They presented a program for youngsters from kindergarten to fourth grade featuring safety lessons for the home, school and street. For the school's open house, two officers instituted a program where fifty-eight children were fingerprinted. The children were provided a fingerprint card that the parents could take home and hold for safekeeping. The card contained vital information for authorities if something drastic should happen to the child.

In May officers assisted with the formation and running of the annual Memorial Day Parade, as well as participating in The Law Enforcement Torch Run for the Special Olympics. During the year, I addressed a high school health class on the consequences of illegal drug and alcohol use. I also addressed the local School Board SAU #36 on the need for early intervention and education of our children in the important areas of health and drug education. I am currently serving as a member of the Blue Ribbon Task Force instituted by the school board to address the needs of our children and community, now and in the future.

A new parking ordinance was instituted during the year and new parking signs went up throughout the town. The area most affected was Bretton Woods, where we have had difficulty with vehicles blocking access roads as well as fire hydrants. Compliance has been excellent since the signs have gone up.

The department hosted the local Cub Scout Pack in December. The boys received a tour of the police station, learned a little about the job of a police officer, and several were fingerprinted using the special cards.

To the citizens of Carroll, it is a pleasure to serve you. Thank you for helping to make the Town of Carroll a safe and pleasant place to live and work.

Respectfully Submitted,

John R. Gardiner
Chief of Police

TWIN MOUNTAIN FIRE DEPARTMENT FIRE CHIEFS REPORT 1996

1996 was a busy year for the Fire Department and Ambulance, with a wide variety of emergencies. The E-911 system has improved immensely since it started last year. We would like to remind everyone to use E-911 for any emergency.

Other than fire and medical calls this year, we have responded to many motor vehicle and snowmobile accidents, carbon monoxide alarms and a technical rescue at Silver Cascades, which the DART helicopter was involved in transporting the patient.

We'd like to remind everyone to check their smoke detectors, if you don't have one, please get one, if assistance is needed to install a smoke detector please call 846-5745 or 846-5545 we will be glad to help you. We also recommend the purchase of carbon monoxide detectors for your home, as this problem seems to be more prevalent than in the past.

I'd like to welcome all new members that joined the Fire Department in the past year, and to thank everyone for their help and cooperation.

Respectfully,

Robert Stalaboin
Fire Chief

EMT REPORT 1996

We started charging at the end of 1995 for our Ambulance Service. This has been very well accepted by all our users, and not such a burden on the tax payers. I think it is safe to say we are almost self sufficient, with over 115 runs last year.

As of last July we have 8 new EMT's on our squad, which is a big help. Now we are able to schedule people from 4:00 PM to 6:00 AM daily, but being a volunteer service and that we all have to work, it is still hard to know during the daytime who's available or not.

All our male EMT's are on the Fire Department, which makes for a good working department. Three of our longest serving EMT's are women and Registered Nurses. A good plus for our department.

We still appreciate any contributions, seeing much of equipment is very expensive and needs replacing periodically.

Respectfully submitted,

Bob Harris
Assistant Chief-EMS

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

I want to take this time to thank all of the people who have been shoveling out the hydrants near their property. I really do appreciate your help.

Also, a special thanks to Frank Davis for helping me flood the skating rink.

Gene Cormier
Road Agent

TWIN MOUNTAIN PUBLIC LIBRARY LIBRARY REPORT 1996

WELCOME TO THE WORLD OF BOOKS-our theme for the year 1996.

We increased our inventory this year with the purchase of over 250 books.

Many changes occurred this year with the addition of our children's reading program, both in the Summer and ongoing reading sessions for toddlers through kindergarten. These programs have been under the sponsorship of the FRIENDS of the Twin Mountain Library, with the help of volunteers in our community, The FRIENDS group has been a great asset and will need the continued support of the people of our town.

Facilitated this year was a renovation with the removal of one wall (eliminating a closet) to enlarge the children's reading area. Hopefully, in the near future other very necessary changes will be accomplished.

Our collection of books on tape has greatly increased and has proved to be very popular. Plans for the near future include a total inventory of holdings, updating the electrical system and new flooring. Also, technological advancements will be happening to lead us all into the Twenty First Century.

We wish to thank all in the community for their support and donations of material, and we urge all to come join us. TRY US YOU WILL LIKE US!!

HOURS:	Summer	Saturday	1PM	To	5PM
		Monday	6:30PM	To	8:30PM
		Wednesday	1PM	To	5PM
	Winter	Saturday	1PM	To	4PM
		Monday	6:30PM	To	8:30PM
		Wednesday	1PM	To	4PM

Eleanor Brauns Secretary
Patricia Martin Treasurer

Ann Fabrizio Chair Board of Trustees
Thelma Monahan Librarian

1996

This year has been another successful year for one of the more visible groups in town. We are always holding bake sales and other fund-raising events to benefit our local community. This year you saw our smiling faces at the Presidential Primary Election, Town Meeting, the State Primary and the General Election making sure everyone went home with home-baked goods. We also held our third annual pie sale just in time for Thanksgiving Day.

With the proceeds from these events and our now famous Helping Hands cookbook, we were able to give back to the community in the following ways:

- * Annual Candidate's Night in March, where local candidates can meet and educate the voters.
- * Lela Staples Scholarship which was awarded to Billy Williams for his outstanding scholastic achievements.
- * Decorate the town with lovely planters and gravesite flowers.
- * Participate in the Memorial Day parade and dedicate a plaque to Barbara Harris and other deceased members of our club who have given so much.
- * Annual Christmas basket gifts to shut-ins of our community.

The Women's Discussion Group was formed in 1972 to promote the upcoming Town Bicentennial and has been a driving force in the community ever since. We would like to thank everyone in town who has given so generously over the past year to help us accomplish our goals.

Michelle Cormier
President

Meeting Times.....

□ *Selectmen's Meetings: Mondays 7:00 PM*

□ *Planning Board: 1st Thursday of the month at 7:30 PM*

□ *Board of Adjustment: 2nd Thursday of the month at 7:30 PM*

□ *Women's Discussion Group: 1st Monday of the month*

Friends of the Library: 2nd Monday of the month

Chamber of Commerce: 2nd Tuesday of the month

Snowmobile Club: 3rd Wednesday of the month

Get involved....join a group!!!

REPORT TO THE CITIZENS OF DISTRICT ONE

By
Raymond S. Burton
Councilor - District One

It is an honor to report to you as a member of the New Hampshire Executive Council. The Executive Council is five in number and serves much like a Board of Directors at the top of your Executive Branch of State Government in Concord. We vote on most contracts over \$2,500 to outside agencies, individuals and municipalities, also major permits to use state waters, 267 unclassified positions as Commissioners and Directors within the Executive Branch of State Government, and the entire Judicial Branch of NH State Government is voted in by Governor with the advice and consent of the Executive Council. We also vote on gubernatorial nominations of hundreds of citizens to various boards and commissions as prescribed by NH Law.

Anyone desiring further information should write or call our State House Office (listed Below).

Citizens in this region should be attentive to several projects:

1) The statewide Health Care Council's 18 month planning project will be coming to conclusion in December of 1997. There are three very active Councils in this District. Information can be obtained by calling Commissioner Terry Morton, Department of Health and Human Services at 1-800-852-3345.

2) The ten year highway planning process will be underway this coming summer and fall. I will be conducting at least three hearings in this district to ascertain regional needs. Information on this project can be obtained by calling Commissioner Leon Kenison, Department of Transportation at 271-3735.

3) The NH Joint Tourist Promotional Program will, I expect, be funded at least with \$500,000 to be matched by local Chamber of Commerce and tourists groups to promote your region. Information on this program is available from Commissioner Robb Thomson, Department of Resources and Economic Development at 271-2411.

4) There is approximately \$172,000 waiting to be matched by local economic development promotion dollars from local groups. Information can be obtained on this program from Director Norman Storrs, Economic Development at 271-2341.

5) There is about 10 million dollars waiting for applications from local governments for Community Development Block Grants to improve your local town and area. Information on how to apply can be obtained by calling Director Jeff Taylor, Office of State Planning at 271-2155.

6) Local towns, cities, counties and eligible organizations should be aware of the large Federal and State Surplus Distribution Programs (the state surplus distribution center is open to the public at White Farm on Clinton Street in Concord, NH on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays. Further information may be obtained by calling Supervisor Art Haeussler. Surplus Distribution at 271-2602.

7) Citizens and groups concerned with disabilities should be aware of the large number of

services available from the Developmental Disabilities Council by calling Director Alan Robichaud at 271-3236.

8) The Department of Environmental Services covering water, sewers, air, lakes and rivers has available information and financial resources by calling Commissioner Robert Varney or Assistant Commissioner Dana Bisbee at 271-3503.

9) The Department of Health and Human Services including elderly, mental health, human services, public health, drug and alcohol abuse are all under Commissioner Terry Morton at 1-800-852-3345.

Our State Government is small, effective and efficient, It is amazing how many services both technical information and financial assistance is available to eligible applicants and for proposals.

Please call my office at any time. I am at your service!

Raymond S. Burton
State House-Room 207
Concord, NH 03301
Tel. (603) 271-3632

NORTH COUNTRY COUNCIL ANNUAL REPORT- 1996

This has been a very busy year at the Council. We completed 53 local and regional projects and were directly responsible for the investment of \$7.0 million in local infrastructure projects by federal or state funding sources. In cooperation with the NH Department of Transportation, the Council was involved in the development and implementation of \$16.5 million of transportation projects on the Ten Year Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). NCC was called upon many times each day to provide local technical advise, be "on call" for our members, respond to questions or provide guidance to land use boards, development corporations, boards of selectmen, chambers of commerce and civic groups. There are over 300 of these local bodies in the region and this last year saw us interacting with most of them at least once and many of them on numerous occasions, In addition, we convened numerous meetings, hearings and informational sessions on regional environmental, regulatory, development, permitting and public policy issues. Similarly, we provided advice, technical assistance and guidance on a weekly basis to businesses, public agencies and non-profit corporations. This last year, we responded to more than 200 requests for date, direction and advice from a very diverse mix of businesses, agencies and organizations. Beyond these requests, we have continued to maintain a regular dialogue with those state agencies that depend on us for a "linkage" to the communities of the North Country.

A new beginning for the Council was the opening of the North Country Council Development Center, located at the historic Rocks Estate in Bethlehem. The Center is the site of NCC's offices, the offices of the NH State Library and the North Country Arts Alliance. This next year will see the addition of another four tenants in spaces that will be ready for occupancy in the summer of 1997. Equally important to its function as a research/demonstration site,

partnership facilitator, conference center, source of market information and communication vehicle for the North Country of New Hampshire.

During 1996, the Center hosted teams of planners from the Netherlands, Central America, the Caribbean, and Eastern Europe. Through these meetings we have gained a mutual understanding of the planning and development challenges we face as a world community. More specifically, these visits have provided us with an opportunity to learn new approaches to conserve resources and foster appropriate development, as well as make many new friends.

This year has been a watershed year for the Council. We have enhanced our staff capacity; we have undergone significant internal strengthening and we have restructured and reorganized, all in an effort to respond to regional need. Our goal, however, remains the same: to provide support and leadership to the region, its governments, businesses and citizens.

Sincerely,

Preston S. Gilbert
Executive Director

NORTH COUNTRY HOME HEALTH AGENCY

Report of 1996 Services

North Country Home Health Agency Celebrated 25 Years of Quality Home Care in 1996 by providing 40,411 home visits to 638 North Country residents. An additional 700 individuals took advantage of the care available at NCHHA community clinics offering influenza immunization, blood pressure and blood sugar monitoring and foot care.

Quality, consumer orientated health care is vital to the physical and economic health of the North Country. In collaboration with other area health care providers, North County Home Health Agency applied for and was granted funding from the State Of New Hampshire Health Care Transition Fund to develop a Community Health Management Organization (CHMO). NCHHA has partnered with Ammonoosuc Community Health Services, Lafayette Center, Littleton Regional Hospital and White Mountain Mental Health and Developmental Services in the CHMO Grant Program. The goals of the CHMO are to improve ease of access to care and sharing of information among area health care providers; to develop a model of local community input into health care; and reduce administrative duplication among members.

NCHHA is always aware of the changes in the health care system and is constantly working to transition services and programs to meet the needs of the consumer, which in health care means the client and family as well as the insurance company, the physician and managed care. NCHHA is in midst of implementing a Plan for Sensible Operation to insure that NCHHA remains able, in the face of increasingly limited local, state and national resources, to provide quality home care to those in need.

North Country Home Health Agency remains an independent, community based provider of care. We appreciate the financial support your community has shown in the past for the programs and services of NCHHA and we look forward to meeting the home health care needs of

the North Country far into the next century.

The following home services were provided to 18 individuals and families in Carroll during 1996.

Discipline	Number of Home Visits
Nursing	226
Home Health Aide	640
Homemaker	12
Physical Therapy	28
Medical Social Service	9

Respectfully Submitted,
Mary E. Ruppert,
Executive Director

**TRI-COUNTY COMMUNITY ACTION
ANNUAL REPORT 1996**

This year, Tri-County Community Action Program, a not for profit agency, requests funding in the amount of \$650.00 (the same as last year).

The following monies were expended to assist Carroll residents:

Fuel Assistance (95-96) (20 households, 45 individuals) \$6,702.86, Homeless grant \$325.00, and Neighbor Helping Neighbor \$250.00 for a total of \$7,277.86.

In addition 85 duplicated individuals shared in food purchases of \$3,631.33 and \$23,422.26 in donated food.

Due to poor health, I no longer represent CAP. The new local intake worker is Amy Fogg. She can be reached at 788-4477. Her Supervisor is Debbie Hartwell 752-3248. The new Outreach Director, Phil Guiser can be reached at 752-7105.

I truly appreciate the cooperation in working together to help the low-income, elderly, and handicapped residents of Twin Mountain for the past 16 years.

Thank you all so much. It has been a pleasure to work with you, not only to save taxpayer dollars, but to expend wisely the dollars needed to help those in crisis. You are all to be commended for your part in helping our elderly, handicapped, and low-income to retain their dignity.

Sincerely,
Harriet Forbush

**WHITE MOUNTAIN MENTAL HEALTH
AND DEVELOPMENTAL SERVICES
DIRECTORS REPORT 1996**

Town of Carroll

*All Persons Have the Right to Meaningfully Participate in the
Life of Their Community*

This is the mission statement of White Mountain Mental Health and Developmental Services. For more than a quarter of a century, our staff has worked to assure that individuals with mental illness or a developmental disability receive the supports to allow this mission to be a reality.

Many Carroll residents have been able to remain living and working productively in their community due to the assistance of WMMH&DS. Psychiatric hospitalizations, residential treatment of children, and institutionalization of persons with a developmental disability are now exceedingly rare due to the availability of community based supports. Carroll residents also have access to high quality, professional counseling for family problems, depression and substance abuse through White Mountain Mental Health. *Our counselors are available at our main office in Littleton, and at our satellite offices at Mount Mooselauke and at 27 Central Street in Woodsville.* Not only do the recipients of services benefit from this intervention, but also the community. The cost of unaddressed emotional problems are felt in many different forms, including the quality of family life, the productivity of our work force and the safety of our streets.

During 1996 White Mountain Mental Health and Developmental Services provided the following to Carroll residents:

- * *60 hours of outpatient counseling services to 6 Carroll residents who were wither uninsured or partially insured. The full cost of these services was \$3,900.*
- * *extensive supports, including housing, vocational services and family support to persons with serious developmental disabilities. These supports helped make it possible for these individuals to live and work in their community.*
- * *developmental assessments, case management, in-home support, speech therapy, physical therapy, and occupational therapy to families with infants or toddlers diagnosed with some form if developmental delay. These services are provided regardless of ability to pay.*
- * *Perhaps most importantly, emergency services are available 24 hours per day, seven days per week to assist individuals, families, hospitals and law enforcement in managing psychiatric emergencies.*

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the people of Carroll for their support over the past twenty five years. We continue to look to you, our community partners, to help us to continue to

provide excellent services in this era of abundant problems and scarce resources.

Respectfully submitted,

Jane C. MacKay CCSW
Area Director

**STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE
DEPARTMENT OF RESOURCES AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT**

**REPORT OF TOWN FOREST FIRE WARDEN
AND STATE FOREST RANGER**

To aid your Forest Fire Warden, Fire Department and State Forest Ranger, contact your local Warden or Fire Department to find out if a permit is required before doing any open burning. Violations of RSA 227-L:17, the fire permit law and the other burning laws of the State of New Hampshire are misdemeanors punishable by fines of up to \$2,000 and/or a year in jail. Violators are liable for all fire suppression costs.

There are ten Forest Rangers who work for the N.H. Division of Forests and Lands, Forest Protection Bureau. State Forest Rangers are available to assist communities with forest fire suppression, prevention and training programs as well as the enforcement of forest fire and timber harvest laws. If you have any questions regarding forest fire or timber harvest laws please call our office at 271-2217.

The State of New Hampshire operates 15 fire towers, 2 mobile patrols and 3 contract aircraft patrols. This early detection and reports from citizens aid in the quick response from local fire departments.

**1996 FIRE STATISTICS
(Cost Shared)**

FIRES REPORTED BY COUNTY

Belknap	06
Carroll	07
Cheshire	13
Coos	10
Grafton	12
Hillsborough	19
Merrimack	14
Rockingham	15
Strafford	05
Sullivan	06

CAUSES OF FIRES REPORTED

Smoking	05
Debris Burning	34
Campfire	16
Power Line	04
Railroad	02
Equipment Use	01
Lightning	02
Children	22
OHRV	01
Miscellaneous	20

TOTAL FIRES 107

“REMEMBER, ONLY YOU CAN PREVENT FOREST FIRES!”

Richard C. Belmore
Forest Ranger

Robert Stalaboin, Jr.
Forest Fire Warden

**TWIN MOUNTAIN SNOWMOBILE CLUB
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After years of upgrading our trail system it's safe to say we, in the Town of Carroll, have a unique snowmobile trail system to be proud of. Our trails have scenic views, such as the Cog Road, Mt. Tom, Mt. Field, Cherry Mountain, to mention a few. Our system is known throughout New England. We never know what we have until we lose it. We appreciate all the property owners who let us use their property. Please come to our annual cookout in June. It's for all property owners and members of the Club. A great time is had by all. Food is great too.

Hope you had a chance to ride this winter. Thank you to all residents and businesses in the Town of Carroll for your support.

Lee Hallquist.
President, 1996/1997

FRIENDS OF THE TWIN MOUNTAIN PUBLIC LIBRARY

Beginning in January and continuing for the winter months, the Friends hosted four authors; Alan Kiip with his book *Stark Decency*, Linda McShane spoke about her book *When I wanted the Light to Shine*, Ingrid Graff presented a lecture on women writers called “A Woman that attempts the Pen,” and to celebrate National Library Week, Lynn Noel provided us with entertainment for children and adults alike focused on her book, *Voyages: Canada's Heritage Rivers*. All the programs were well attended and brought a welcome respite to the dull and dreary winter.

Thirty-three children from Twin Mountain and the surrounding area participated in the Summer Reading Program. Thanks to local merchants, the kids were rewarded for their reading efforts with gifts and passes to area attractions. A culminating event was held the last week of the Summer Recreation Program with a theater group, *Stories and Stuff*, and a pizza party for all participants. This event was funded with a grant from the New Hampshire State Library who helps state libraries and Friends groups to promote children and family programming.

After school started, we determined there was a need for Pre-school children to participate in the Library. We assisted a group of parents of pre-school age children to hold a weekly Story Hour.

Currently there are about 15 kids who attend with their parents. The parents alternate the “reading” and provide a related activity.

Michelle Cormier
President

